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## IMPORTANT CHINA DEBATE.

### RIGHTS TO MOVE TROOPS RETAINED.

### FREEDOM TO NEGOTIATE WITH EITHER SIDE.

### QUESTIONS IN COMMONS.

Arising out of many questions in the House of Commons yesterday, Sir Austen Chamberlain made several important statements on the China problem and crisis.

He said in reply to the Nationalist Government's declaration, that the British Government could not bind itself to refuse to enter into negotiations with Chinese officials in any part of China who were actually exercising *de facto* authority.

He further announced that the Nationalist Government, although satisfied with the assurances regarding the concentration of British forces at Shanghai so far as to sign the Hankow Agreement, had protested against the landing as being "without legal justification," but Sir Austen again asserted that His Majesty's Government must reserve their full right to dispose of their troops as might be necessary for the protection of British life in Shanghai.

London, Feb. 21.

In the House of Commons in response to a request by Mr. J. R. Clynes for a statement with regard to the signing of the Hankow Agreement, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that a telegram, received from Mr. O'Malley, dated February 20th reported that the signature took place on Saturday evening of the Agreement in regard to the Hankow Concession.

He read the terms of the agreement (precisely as given already), and added that at the moment of signature certain declarations were made arising from the negotiations. Mr. O'Malley informed Mr. Chen that the British authorities concerned would do all in their power to implement and ensure the successful operation of the agreement; and, as far as the British Authorities were concerned, Chinese citizens would enjoy and be entitled to the same rights as British subjects in the British Concession area.

Mr. Chen replied that the Chinese authorities would likewise do their utmost to implement and ensure the successful operation of the agreement and, as far as they were concerned, there would be no discrimination against British interests in the administration of the new district.

#### To Deal With *de facto* Authorities.

Sir Austen Chamberlain also read Mr. Eugene Chen's declaration of the Nationalist Government's policy with regard to Concessions and International Settlements, (as already cabled), and said that Mr. O'Malley, in reply, had made a declaration that His Majesty's Government could not bind themselves to refuse to enter into negotiations with Chinese officials in any part of China with regard to matters arising in the areas where such officials were actually exercising *de facto* authority.

#### Formal Protest.

Mr. Chen also announced that the Nationalist Government regarded the "modification" of the original plan for the concentration of British forces at Shanghai as announced by Sir Austen Chamberlain in the House of Commons on February 10th as a concession enabling the signing of the Agreement, but "as the landing at Shanghai" of British troops, even in reduced numbers and with the strictly limited purpose stated by the Secretary of State is without legal justification, the Nationalist Government have to protest against the landing and the presence of such British troops in the International Settlement at Shanghai. Further, the Nationalist Government declare that the arrangement made respecting the status of the area hitherto known

## RECENT AGITATION AT HANKOW.

### MOCK FUNERAL OF BRITISH IMPERIALISM.

#### STRANGE "MOURNERS."

Hankow, has throbbled for the last night or two (says a message of Wednesday last) with the continuous beating of drums and gongs in connection with the celebration of the Lantern Festival by the labour unions, which this year are showing unprecedented enthusiasm over the event.

Thousands of persons participated in the picturesque lantern parades, which were well organized and which appear so far to have passed off without disorder.

On Tuesday afternoon the spirit of the carnival found grotesque expression in a mock funeral procession mourning the loss of British "Imperialism." The coffin was carried through the streets by a section of the British Cigarette Company's workers, musicians meanwhile playing a funeral dirge, which, according to some foreign spectators, sounded like a Chinese attempt at "Ye banks and braes."

On a scroll carried by the procession was inscribed "Throw the British from Shanghai!" An odd feature of the pamphlets distributed in connection with the procession in place of paper cash was that the right wing of the Kuomintang was mentioned as a mourner along with Marshals Wu Pei-fu, Chang Tso-lin, Sun Chuan-fang and other anti-revolutionaries.

### HANKOW AGREEMENT.

#### GENERAL SATISFACTION FELT.

Hankow, Feb. 20.

With reference to the handing over of the British Concession to a new Chinese Municipal Council on March 15th, it has been agreed that there will be British representation thereon.

The announcement that the agreement is at last signed has been received with the greatest satisfaction at Hankow. All through the negotiations it was felt that the British Government's declared policy of patient conciliation was being put to a severe practical test and the successful result of the conversations which have taken place during the last five weeks is taken as a hopeful augury for the future.—*Reuter*.

#### "VIA SIBERIA"

### THE SHANGHAI POSTAL STRIKE.

No information has yet been received from Shanghai concerning the ability of the postal authorities to distribute mail forwarded from Hongkong, but so far the mail is leaving without interruption.

The European mail via Siberia was sent by the *S.S. Shinyo Maru* this morning as advertised, but the probabilities are that, to ensure safety, it will be sent direct to Vladivostok by a slightly longer route.

### ROYAL MARINES.

#### TODAY'S ROUTE MARCH.

Under the command of Major F. A. Hamer, of H.M.S. Froisher, detachments of the Royal Marines, from the warships in Harbour, took part in a route march through the city this morning.

Headed by the Royal Marine Band, the parade, which was about four hundred strong, marched along Queen's Road, up Wyndham Street, and past the Central Police Station to the western district, returning by way of Des Voeux Road Central.

It was an exceedingly smart turnout.

## IN PAKHOI NOW.

### MORE ANTI-CHRISTIAN FEELING.

#### MOVE AGAINST SCHOOLS.

A *Telegraph* correspondent writing from Pakhoi, under date of the 14th instant, says:

For some weeks there has been some talk of a local boycott being declared against foreigners here, but it is believed now that nothing will be done. All American and British missionaries, upon advice of their respective Consulates, have left for places of safety. The Germans are remaining for the present. The Commissioner of Customs has removed his wife and child to Hongkong; all others of the Custom staff are remaining.

#### Idols Removed.

In the old and conservative city of Yenchow the local people have been greatly shocked by the wholesale removal of idols, and other paraphernalia from the many temples by agitators and students. There is much feeling among the citizens, but they fear to make a move, knowing that should they do so they themselves would probably be the next victims.

The anti-Christian feeling here has increased a good deal since I wrote last and hardly anything whatever can be done along religious lines. The usual processions and noisy agitators continue.

#### Bandit Evil.

But by far the greatest problem in these districts is the bandit evil. Though the Nationalists appear to be doing their best to wipe them out, not much headway is being made. Memorial cemeteries are being laid out in most of the big centres in which the soldiers killed in bandit suppression are buried. The cemeteries are a grim reminder of the powerful hold the bandits have upon these districts.

#### Control of Schools.

A real problem is being faced by the mission schools here. It has been ruled by the Nationalists that these schools must be handed over to a Committee composed chiefly of Chinese and that all funds available for such institutions be handed to that Committee whose members will dispose of them as they see fit. No religion whatever is to be permitted in these schools, it is reported. We all know, that such procedure will in all probability mean the turning of these schools into Nationalist propaganda institutions. Under such the Mission feel they are no longer justified in asking their home Boards to supply the finance for such schools, seeing that the object for which these schools have been established is no longer obtainable.

Naughty boys and bad characters have smashed in two gates in the wall of the American Mission in Pakhoi, but nothing else has been done.

### YUNNAN REVOLT?

#### REPORTED CAPTURE OF TUCHUN.

The Army Headquarters in Canton yesterday issued a communiqué announcing that a telegram had been received from the Kwangsi Military Headquarters to the effect that the Yunnan Tuchun, Tang Chi-yao, had been overthrown by his subordinates.

The telegram states that Lung Yun and Hu Yu-yu, two leading Yunnanese Generals, recently rebelled against Tang and instead of going to attack Kwangsi, as was arranged, they proceeded to attack the Yunnan capital. They captured Yunnan-fu and took General Tang and his brother, Tang Chi-yus, prisoners. The two rebellious generals are said to have declared their intention to join the Nationalists.

No confirmation of the above report is yet available, but there have been many rumours recently that some of the Yunnan generals had shown dissatisfaction towards their chief.

## FLYING ACROSS THE S. ATLANTIC.

### DE PINEDO HOPS OFF FROM CAPE VERDE.

#### A 2,000-MILE STAGE.

London, Feb. 21.

A message from St. Vincent, Cape Verde, says that the Marquis De Pinedo left Port Praia at eleven o'clock last night for Porto Sao Martinho, Brazil.—*Reuter*.

[This is the most hazardous stage of the planned flight, entailing a flight of about 2,000 miles over the South Atlantic Ocean. It will be remembered that Major Franco, the Spanish aviator, accomplished the same flight in February, last year.]

#### Another Flier.

London, Feb. 21.

A message from Alicante, in the south of Spain, says that the Uruguayan aviator, M. Larra Bordes has arrived there.—*Reuter*.

### SPANISH POLITICS.

#### DIVERGENCE OF VIEWS REGARDING MOROCCO.

Madrid, Feb. 21.

It is semi-officially stated that the resignation of Signor Yanguas was due to a divergence of views with regard to the methods to be followed in the negotiations with regard to Morocco.—*Reuter*.

### NAVAL LIMITATION.

#### ITALY REGRETFULLY DECLINES.

Rome, Feb. 21.

The Italian Note to the United States regretfully declines President Coolidge's invitation to a disarmament conference, and emphasises that as regards the European continent there exists an undeniable inter-dependence between every kind of armament and every single Power for which it is impossible to adopt measures of a partial nature between only five great naval Powers. The Note expresses the opinion that the limitation of armaments to be effective must be universal, and points out that the example shown at Washington was not followed by the minor naval Powers.

Finally, Italy cannot, without grave risks, expose herself to the limitation of naval armaments which are already insufficient for her defensive needs.—*Reuter*.

### ANOTHER BURGLARY.

#### CIVIL SERVICE CLUB ENTERED.

The discovery that burglars had entered and made a successful haul from the Clubhouse of the Civil Service Cricket Club at Happy Valley was made early yesterday morning.

It was found that a safe in the Secretary's office had been opened overnight, and a sum of \$500 and two gold rings were stolen.

The door of the safe had been left ajar when the No. 1 boy entered the room yesterday morning. He reported his discovery to the Treasurer, who has in turn notified the police.

### BELGIAN INTERESTS.

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO PEKING EXPLAINED.

Brussels, Feb. 21.

On the occasion of the departure to China of Baron Guillaume, Secretary to the Belgian Embassy in London who is going to rejoin the legation in Peking, the Foreign Ministry summoned the representatives of the principal Belgian groups interested in China, to whom was explained the instructions it was proposed to give to the Minister in Peking, which all approved.—*Reuter*.

## THE STEAMBOAT CO. MEETING

### COMPENSATION FOR STRIKE LOSSES EXPECTED.

### DRASTIC ECONOMY URGED.

Compensation for losses sustained in maintaining communication with Canton during the strike is forming the subject of negotiation between the Government and the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Ltd., it was stated at the annual meeting of the Company held this morning.

It was also mentioned at the meeting that in view of the prospects of increased trade with Macao it might be advisable to place faster and more modern steamers on the run.

Mr. Li Tse-fong suggested drastic reductions in administrative expenses and put forward the idea of appointing a local shipping firm as General Agents of the Company.

Mr. T. G. Weall occupied the chair, and there were, also present—Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. J. M. Alves, Mr. H. Staples Smith (Directors), Mr. John Arnold (Secretary), Mr. W. E. L. Shenton (Solicitor), Messrs. Lo Kai-hong, Cheng Ching-po, W. G. Joseph, Paul Lauder, C. Bernard Brown, Li Tse-fong, S. Danenberg, O. Kitchell, C. A. Peel and J. Owen Hughes (shareholders).

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

#### The Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The Directors' report and statement of accounts have been in your hands for some days, and, I propose with your consent, to take them as read. It is with deep regret that I have to record the death of two members of the Board during the year—the Honourable Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Captain W. E. Clarke. Mr. Holyoak had been a Director since 1914 while Captain Clarke's connection with the company extended over a period of 49½ years.

When addressing you last year the chairman struck a note of warning and expressed the opinion that unless there was an early improvement in trading conditions figures in respect of 1926 would leave much to be desired. The improvement, however, was long delayed and under the circumstances you were no doubt, prepared for the disappointing result of the year's working.

#### Restricted Services.

Communication with Canton was maintained throughout the year by a daily service operated in conjunction with the China Navigation Company's *S.S. Fat-shan*, but unfortunately, as was to be expected, the result was, not altogether satisfactory. Your Directors, however, after careful consideration, decided that it was in the best interest of all concerned to carry on a restricted service, having regard also to the Colony's requirements, and I feel confident shareholders will endorse the policy. Towards the latter part of the year it was possible to recommence a full schedule of sailings and you will be pleased to learn that so far the arrangement is working quite satisfactorily.

#### Definite Promise of Support.

Had it been decided to lay up the fleet, depreciation of vessels would have been practically on the same scale as when in commission, and as we were expecting from day to day to resume a full service, I am sure you will agree that it would have been short-sighted policy to have impaired our organisation by dismissing officers, whom it would be difficult to replace at short notice. The possibility of receiving financial assistance from the Government was mentioned in the speech from the chair last year, and I am happy to state that a definite promise of support has been received from

His Majesty's Government, and though negotiations are still pending, I have reason to believe that in view of the services rendered to the Colony our application for further compensation will be favourably considered by the local Authorities.

#### Alterations in Balance Sheet.

The net loss for 1926, after providing \$119,971.95 for depreciation, amounts to \$305,449.80 against which you will note that a sum of \$40,000 has been transferred from Depreciation Fund to the credit of Profit and Loss Account. After deducting the amount brought forward from the previous year as well as interest on investments, etc., there remains a balance at debit of \$246,955.83, which your Directors recommend should be carried forward. You will notice that certain alterations have been made in the balance sheet, an improvement which will no doubt appeal to shareholders. We have effected economies in many directions, the result of which will be reflected in future balance sheets.

#### Not Pessimistic.

Conditions continue abnormal and it is impossible to foretell what the future may have in store, but I am by no means pessimistic and feel confident that with the turn of the tide our Company with an up-date fleet of steamers will regain its former position on the river.

Before bringing my remarks to a close, I desire to record that your Directors are alive to the possibilities of increased trade with the neighbouring Colony of Macao and as the Harbour Works there are now nearing completion it would be unwise to ignore the necessity of placing faster and more modern steamers on the run. In that connection certain proposals have been made to the Board, and when something of a more definite nature is forthcoming the scheme will be placed before shareholders for discussion. I have no further comments to make, and I therefore beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented. When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any question in connection therewith which shareholders may wish to ask.

#### Seconders' Suggestions.

Mr. Li Tse-fong said:—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen—In rising to second the report and accounts for the year 1926, I am sure I shall be voicing the opinion of all shareholders in sharing with the Directors their regrets for the loss last year of two members of the Board in the persons of the Hon. Mr. Holyoak, and Capt. Clarke.

I have perused with care the balance sheet which we are called upon to adopt to-day, and I compliment you on the changes in the manner of setting out the accounts which I agree with you the shareholders will appreciate. I might add, not only the shareholders, but all the members of the staff will

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## KOWLOON'S PROGRESS.

### ANNUAL MEETING OF K. R. A.

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association, was held in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, last evening.

The meeting was well attended considering the fact that many were away attending the practice parade of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. There were between 40 and 50 present. The proceedings were conducted by the Rev. J. Horace Johnston, who was supported by Mr. F. W. Stapleton (acting Hon. Secretary) and Mr. J. M. Alves (Hon. Treasurer).

#### The President's Review.

Reviewing the year's work of the Association, the President said:

The primary object of the annual meeting of the Association is to submit to you a report of all the General Committee has done in your name since their election this time last year. In accordance with the rules of the Association, the Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts have been printed and circulated beforehand among the members, and may now be taken as read. It is my privilege to move their adoption, and, in so doing, I should like to make a few general remarks on the activities of the past twelve months.

As the concrete facts are before you and constitute a volume of considerable bulk, let me leave them to speak for themselves and rather attempt to describe the spirit that has animated the Committee in its work. Your Committee recognised that they felt their very honourable traditions, which it was their duty to maintain, and they trust that the reputation of the Kowloon Residents' Association has in no way suffered during the period under review. If the general sentiment of the public is accurately reflected in the local Press, we have good reason to believe that the K.R.A. enjoys to a marked extent the goodwill of the community. It is gratifying to read in a weekly publication these opening words of the leading article:—"Of the immense value to the community and the Government much could be written in regard to the Kowloon Residents' Association. There is not a topic of local interest that it does not tackle. There is not a grievance that it does not investigate. There is not a complaint that it does not probe."

#### Willing Co-operation.

It has certainly been our endeavour to maintain the attitude which has been adopted by the Association since the time of its inauguration, namely, the attitude of willing co-operation. It would appear that H. E. the present Governor, is prepared to follow the policy of his predecessor, who, when he landed in the Colony made this announcement:—

"I have been accustomed to ask and to receive help and advice from any section of the community whose knowledge of the matter in hand promised to be of use to the Colony, and I shall continue that practice and in reliance on your promise seek co-operation in any quarter where it will be of service to the public interest."

Knowing that the Government desires to serve the public interest and assuming that this also is the desire of the various companies that cater for the public needs, our aim is to put at the disposal of the Government and the public utility companies, whatever local knowledge and experience the Committee may collectively possess or be in a position to acquire. We do not exist merely to harass the Government with complaints or vexatious demands, but to indicate fairly and reasonably wherein and whereby they may in our judgment more effectively serve the public interest.

#### No Adverse Criticism.

Some might suppose that we were acting upon a rather Utopian

assumption, but it is worthy of special note that the Sanitary Board communicated with your Committee before instituting the cleansing of servants' quarters in Kowloon; the Police Department submitted proposed rules for the Children's Playground before they were enacted; the Colonial Secretary forwarded plans for the extension and re-arrangement of the Cemeteries in Kowloon and asked if the Association concurred. The "Star" Ferry Company likewise sent to us a sketch of their proposed re-arrangement of the Hongkong wharf for our approval, and the final plan was the product of co-operative effort. And we believe that the other Companies are coming to realize that our position is not antagonistic but sympathetic and our aim not to injure their reputation by adverse criticism nor minimize their profits by extravagant demands, but rather, by helping them to increase the utility of their services, to guide them to greater popularity and success.

It is for this reason that we find officers of public utility companies willing to serve on the Committee of the Association, and able to do so without embarrassment either to themselves or the Committee.

#### Electric Supply.

At this point, I should like to advert to an item of business done by your Committee, so recently that it is not recorded in the Report. When the China Light and Power Co. undertook to carry through the change of the supply pressure of electrical current "without any expense whatever to the consumers," we questioned how this undertaking could be fulfilled if the present cost per unit were maintained, and elicited the announcement that it is the intention of the Company to lower the present tariff to compensate for the increase in the relative cost of candle-power. The amount of reduction has not been announced but the whole tone of the Company's letter indicates that our inquiry was taken in good part and gives us hope that we shall be able to arrive at an adjustment which will be equitable not only in theory but in practice.

It goes without saying that the efforts of the Committee have not been uniformly successful. The appeal for the continuance of the Rents Ordinance failed. The high rents in Kowloon remain a most serious problem and one which calls for earnest consideration and wisest statesmanship. The Rents Ordinance was essentially a temporary expedient to meet a special emergency, and it is the duty of those who enact a temporary measure to terminate its operation at the earliest convenient opportunity. In the opinion of the Government, as also of a good many of the members of the Committee, a more opportune moment for removing the restrictions could hardly be hoped for than that which presented itself last midsummer. It must be remembered that to continue a temporary measure for an undue length of time is apt to interfere with the ordinary principles of justice.

#### Fair Rents Board.

The reply of the Government to the request for the institution of a Fair Rents Board may have been a disappointment to many residents, but it must not be thought that the question is closed. The Government "considers that time must be given to allow rents to find their proper economic level." We should bear in mind the fact that, while it takes a very slight economic pressure to produce an immediate rise in cost of living, the sinking process is obstinately slow.

Some other suggestions of ours were undoubtedly rejected because the Government is trying to reduce expenditure just now to the minimum. Here again it is impossible not to sympathize with the motives. All that we can do is to look ahead, study carefully the needs of Kowloon and see that in the Government estimates the

anticipated requirements of the Peninsula receive the attention and provision they deserve.

Without further delay, I now beg to move the adoption of the Reports and Statement of Accounts for the year ending on December 31st, 1926. (Applause)

Mr. W. S. Bailey, seconding the adoption of the report and accounts, said when they looked at the report for the year they must all feel very proud indeed of the Association and of the excellent work it had done in the interests of the residents of Kowloon. Nothing could be better. The report was probably the best issued by the Association. In addition to the laudable results achieved, the report showed they were in a stronger financial position. Mr. Bailey referred particularly to the scheme of Mr. F. J. Easterbrook for improving the traffic system at the Star Ferry approach. The Marsellaise, the French national anthem and war song, took, he believed, twenty minutes to compose, whilst Mr. Easterbrook's scheme was born in half an hour. They had had a record year and Mr. Bailey appealed to all residents of the Peninsula to join the Association in order that they might make this year even better than last. (Applause)

There being no questions, the report and accounts were then put to the meeting and were unanimously adopted.

#### The President.

The President explained that it had been announced in one of the Association's communiques to the

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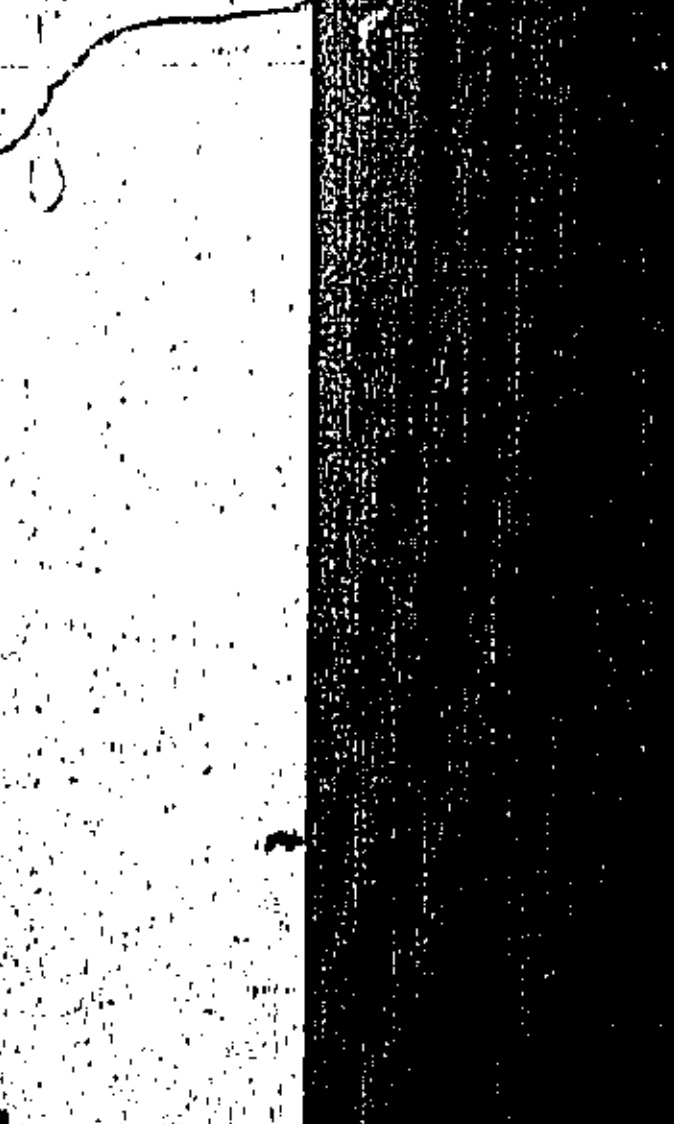
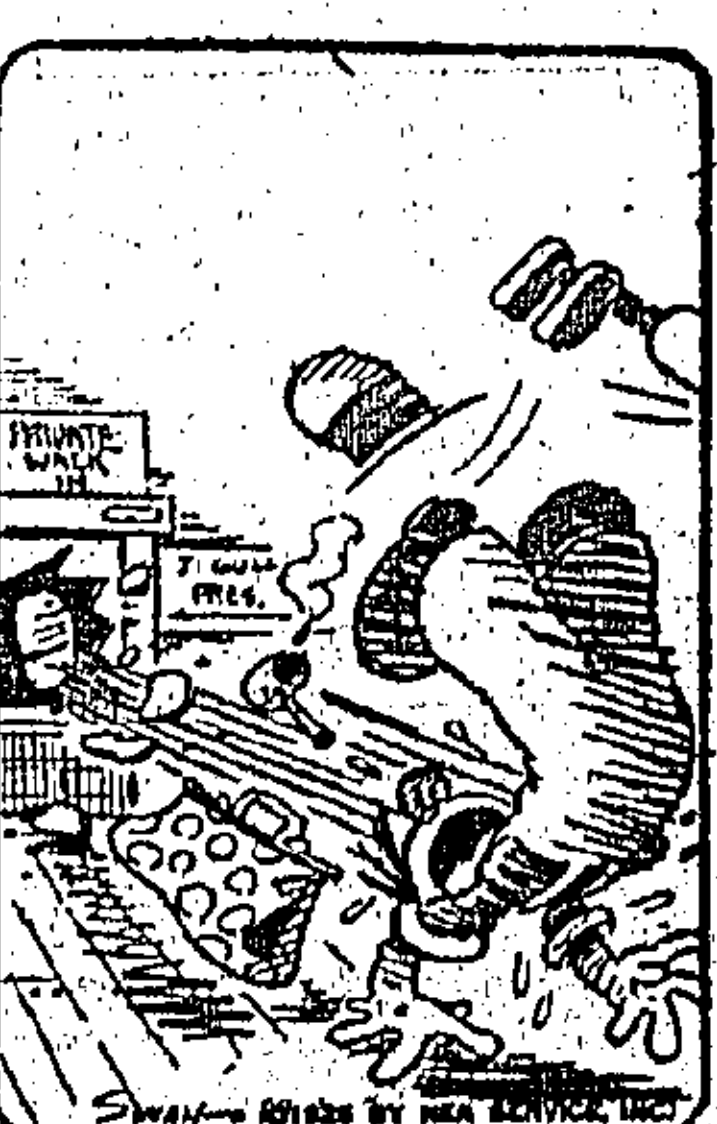
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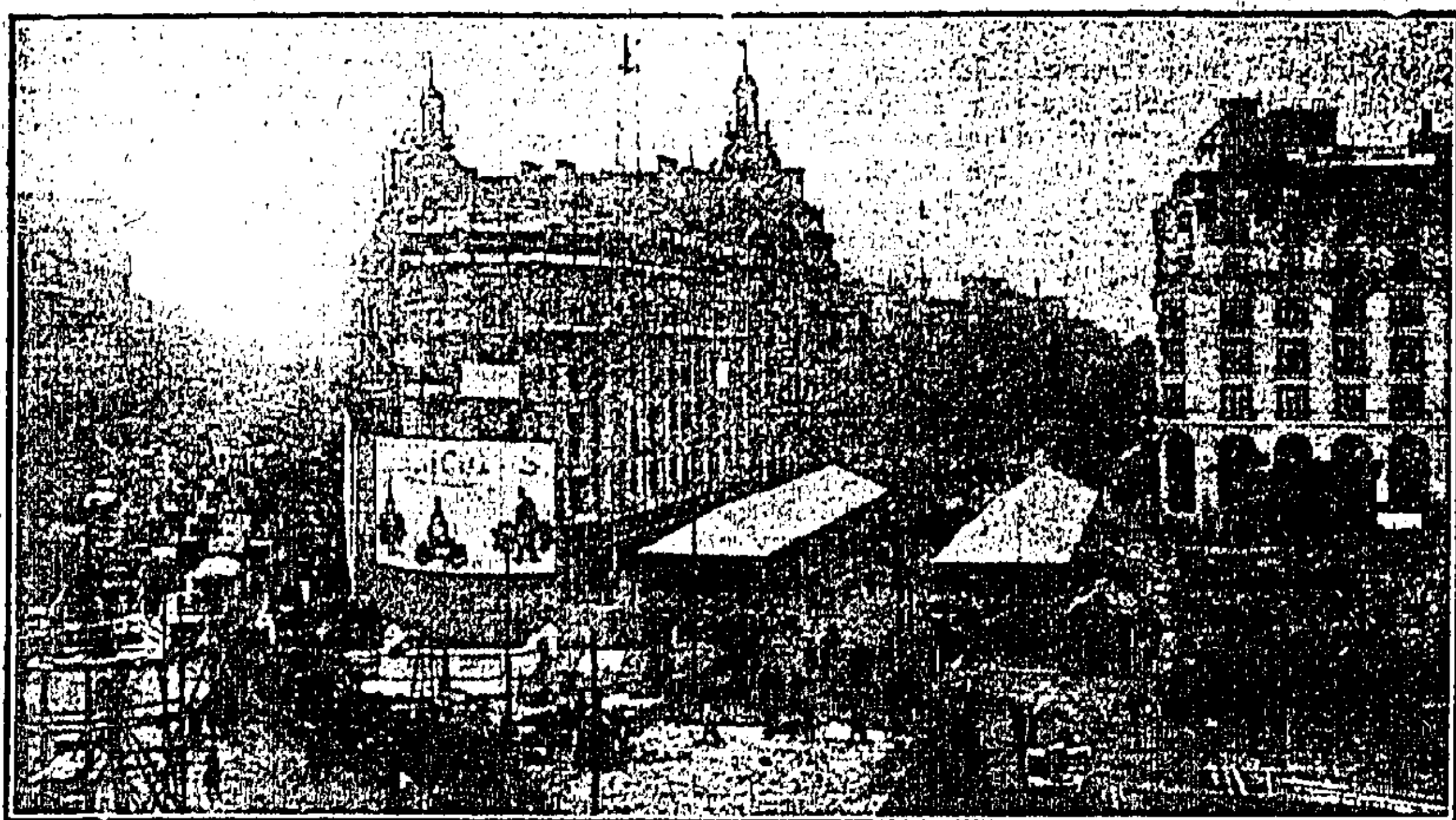
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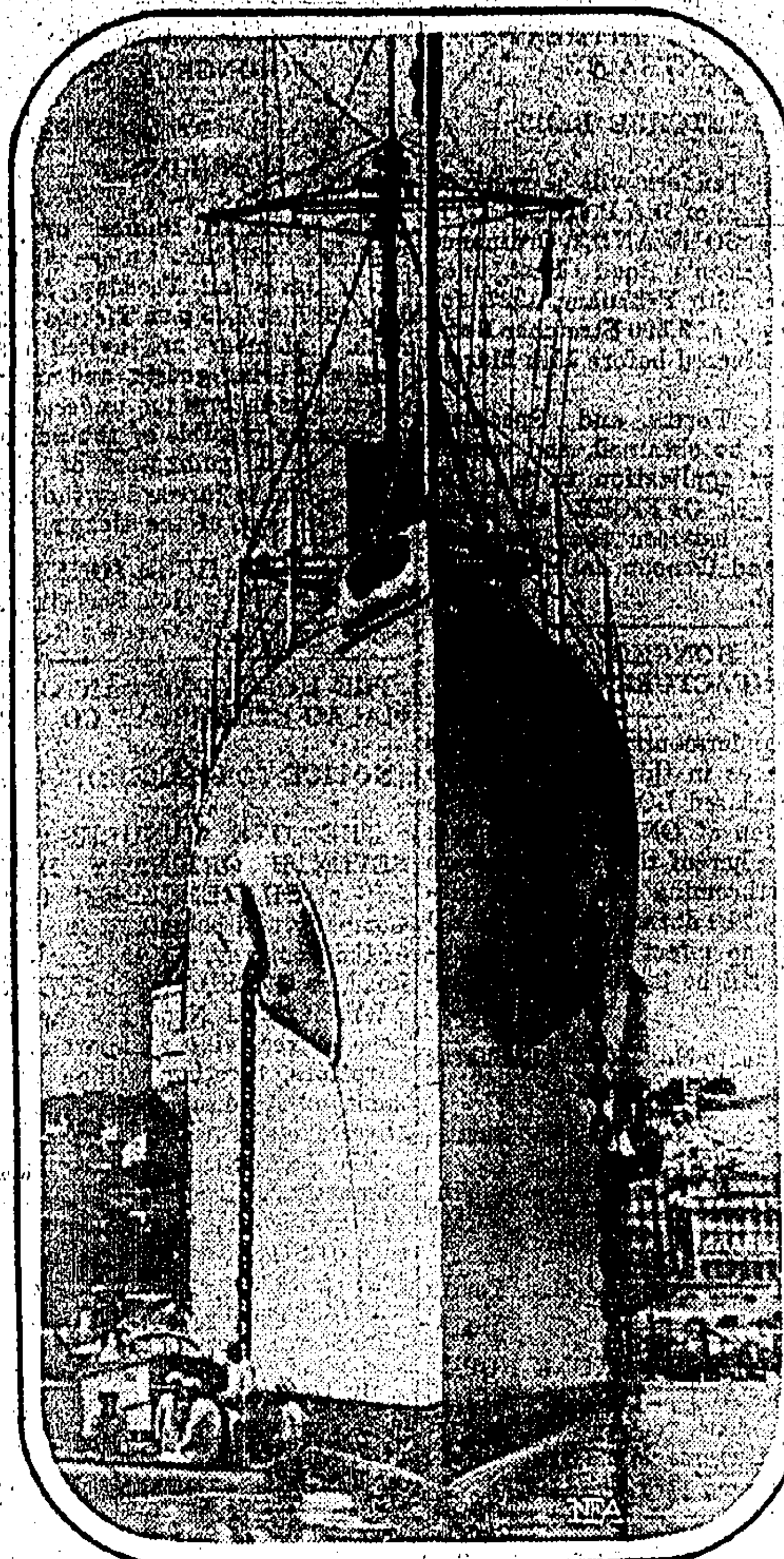




**MUSSOLINI'S DAUGHTER.**—Edda Mussolini, in the foreground, when she appeared as sponsor at the launching of the motorship Augustus, at Sesti Ponente near Genoa.



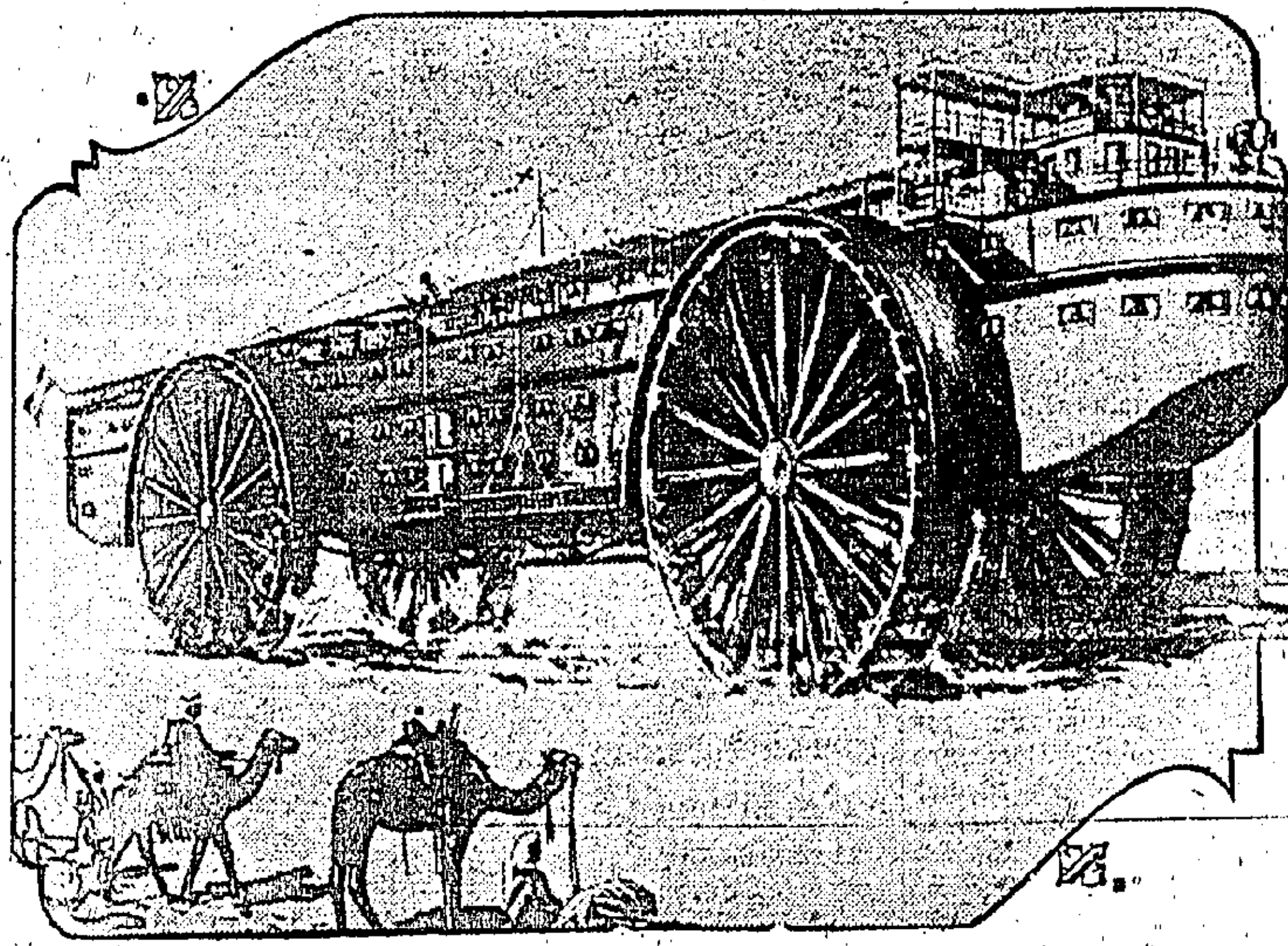
**EXTENSION OF PARIS BOULEVARD.**—President Doumergue recently opened the extension of the Boulevard Haussmann, which has at last been completed. A photograph showing the Boulevard Montmartre end of the new thoroughfare and the stands erected for the opening ceremony. (Times copyright).



**IN WAR ZONE.**—This picture shows the towering bow of the U.S.S. Marblehead, one of America's fastest cruisers, detailed for service in Nicaragua.



**SEEN AT TIENTSIN.**—Three children seen recently in a street in Tientsin, China, are pictured above. Their futures are as uncertain as the struggling republic in which they live.



**GREYHOUND OF THE SAHARA.**—A real ship of the desert is this mechanical behemoth, as pictured by its inventor, Johann C. Bishoff, of Kiel, Germany. An inkling of its size may be gained by comparison with camels whose chief competitor Bishoff hopes it will become. It is to be 300 feet long, will accommodate 300 passengers and fifty tons of cargo, and on its 40-foot wheels will be driven over the sands by gasoline engines at about 20 miles an hour.



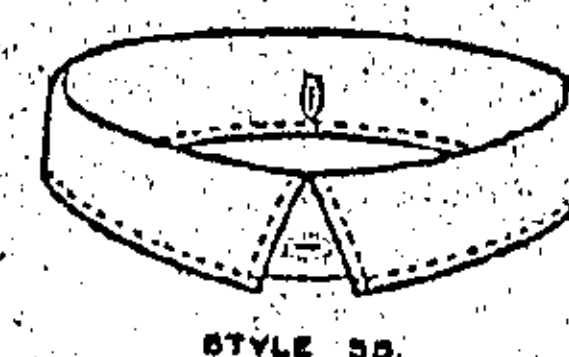
**"ROBINSON CRUSOE" FILMED.**—After spending nine weeks in Tobago, Mr. M. A. Wetheroll has completed the filming of Robinson Crusoe's sojourn on his desert island and has sailed for England. Playing the part of Crusoe, Mr. Wetheroll was able to secure the whole of the company required for these scenes from local natives and white residents. A scene from the film—the discovery of the footprints in the sand. (Times copyright).



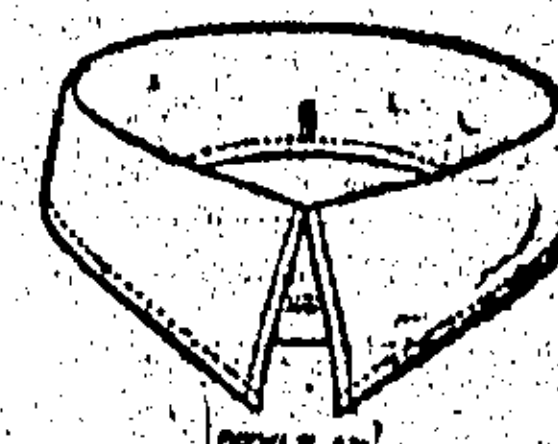
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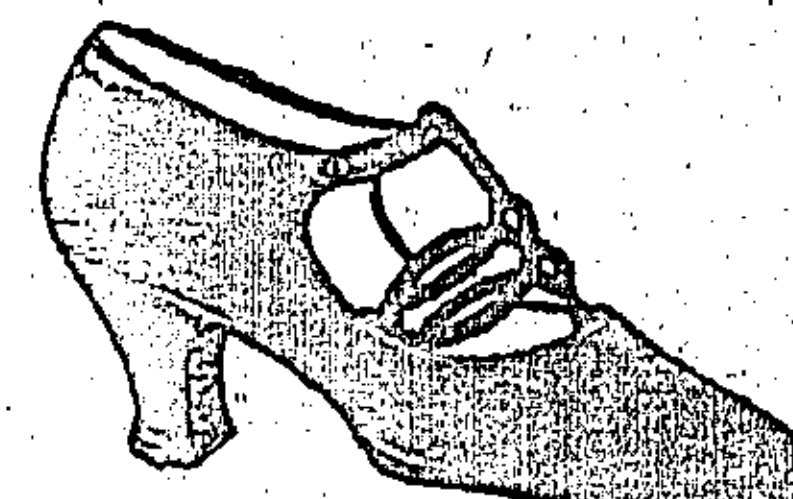
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### NOTICE.

The Hongkong Civil Service Cricket Club Sweepstake, on the Hongkong Derby, 1927, has been cancelled and money will be returned to ticketholders.

L. E. LONGBOTTOM,  
Hon. Secretary.

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB, DERBY SWEEP.

The Non-Selling Lottery on "The Hongkong Derby" will be drawn in the Hongkong Club Stand at the Race Course, on Saturday, 26th February, 1927, at 3 p.m.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-Eighth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on SATURDAY, 5th March, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 21st February to 5th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order

of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 12th Feb., 1927.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE FORTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, February 24th, 1927, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1926.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, February 14th, 1927, to Thursday, February 24th, 1927, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order

of the Board of Directors,  
F. H. CRAPNELL,  
Acting Secretary,  
Hongkong, February 5th, 1927.

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### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

#### WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

#### STRETCHER BEDS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Office of D.A.D.O.S., SOUTH CHINA COMMAND, Ordinance Office, Queen's Road East, until 12 noon, 26th February, 1927, for the supply of 9,500 Stretcher Beds, to be delivered before 15th March, 1927.

Tender Forms, and Specification can be obtained, and sample seen, on application to the ORDINANCE OFFICER at above address, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 noon daily, Sundays excepted.

#### THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

The undermentioned Certificates for Shares in this Company have been declared LOST and if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof the documents are not forthcoming the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of no effect and new Certificates will be issued by the Company.

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General Managers,  
Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1927.

#### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

#### RACE MEETING 1927.

28th February, 1st, 2nd, and 5th March.

#### MEMBERS' BADGES.

Members' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before Saturday, February 26th, 1927, at a cost of \$10. each per day or \$30. for the Meeting.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4. per day—Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, badges for the admission of two Ladies free of charge. On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first three days racing.

#### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, price \$5. per day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1. per day.

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#### SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

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By Order,  
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G. S. HUGH-JONES,  
Hon. Secretary,  
9, Queen's Road C.

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#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4a, Des Voeux Road, on TUESDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, at Noon for the purpose of receiving a report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, to TUESDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order,

of the Board of Directors,  
JOHN ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

#### HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 26th February, 1927, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from Monday, the 14th February to Saturday, the 26th February, 1927, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of share can be registered.

By Order

of the Court of Directors,  
A. H. BARLOW,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1927.

### CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

#### NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA LINE.

#### FROM EUROPE AND STRAITS.

The Steamship,

"OREGON MARU,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 27th Feb., 1927 will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co's representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, February 20, 1927.

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Hongkong, February 22, 1927.

## LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

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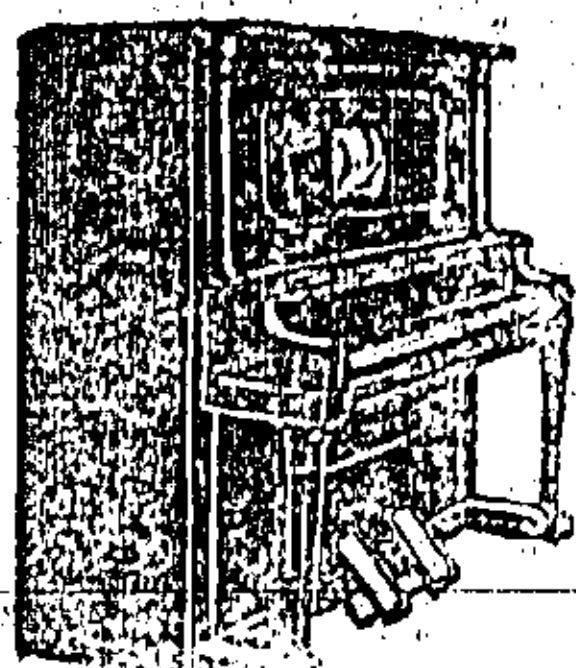
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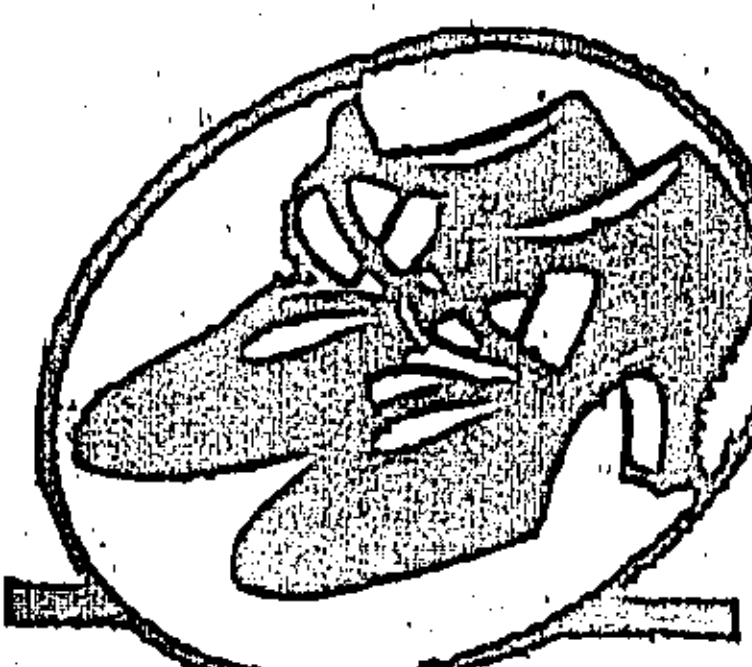
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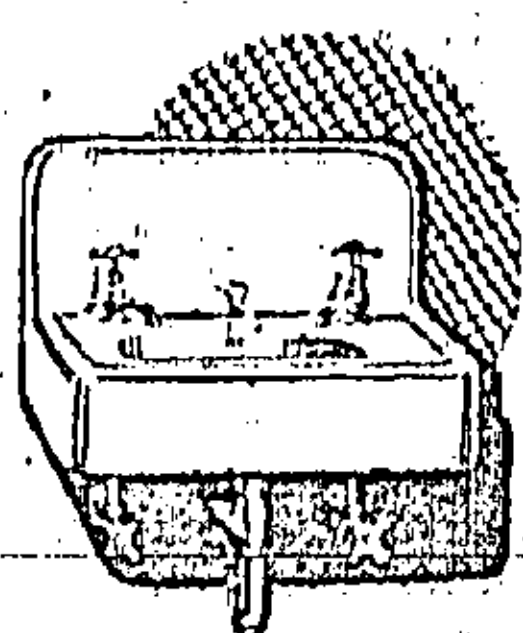
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## AVIATION.

LECTURE AT HELENA MAY  
INSTITUTE.

Lieut. J. Newell in his lecture on Aviation at the Helena May Institute last evening corrected many of the erroneous impressions with regard to air science which have taken root in the lay mind. Before an audience of nearly 100 he held interest for more than an hour with intricate and thrilling detail of the science of flying. Among those present were Lady Clement and Sir Henry Pollock. Lieut. Newell was introduced by Colonel Boylan Smith.

Lieut. Newell opened on the development of flying, which he said, had passed through six stages. Icarus, Simon the Magician, Almerus the monk, a Saracen in the 12th Century whose efforts were also unlucky; Delmado, a writer who relied upon the technique of bird flight for success but failed. They failed because they relied upon the movement of the flier.

At present the most efficient aeroplane lifts only 20 lbs. for each horse power of the engine while man could only lift 14 of that weight for a short period.

A certain Henson, endeavored to make a flying machine in the early 80's with a steam engine as motive power, but lacking capital, he failed. Phillips a few years later made an attempt with curved planes but his power was insufficient.

## Lifted a Ton.

The next stage was that in which Sir Hiram Maxim was the pioneer who again placed a steam engine in a plane which lifted over a ton beyond its own structural weight. Langley in America made a flight of 1/2 mile in 1 1/2 h.p. plane. He improved and made better flights but none of which were successful. The same plane was later taken from a museum and Glenn Curtis made satisfactory flights.

Then came the gliders, with even greater success for those who ventured in the air with machines un-equipped with engines.

The Wright Brothers utilized controls and rudders which their predecessors had not done. In 1903 they fitted a light motor and experimented with an engine fitted glider. In 1905 they made a 35 minutes flight, but endeavouring to market their machine they met with no success.

Then came Santos Dumont who proved that his machine would fly, taking off from the ground with wheels, while the Wrights relied upon skids.

In 1908 Wilbur Wright managed to cover 38 miles and in 1909 Blériot crossed the Channel. There was slight development between this date and the outbreak of the war. Each year of the war gave development which would probably have taken at least four years of peace time.

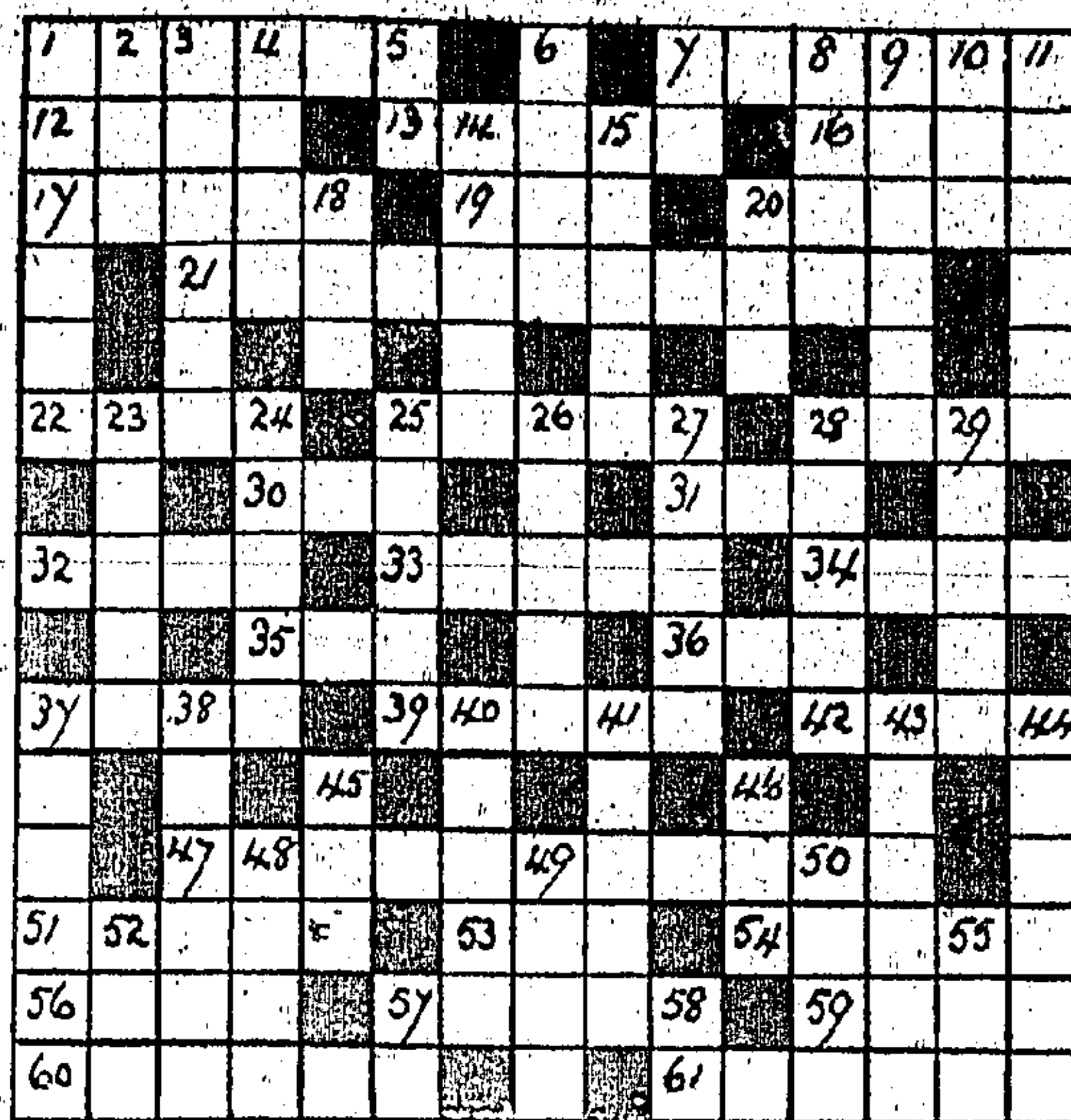
The principal factor in aeroplane development was "drag," formed by stern eddies in flight and the efforts of designers were all in the direction of reducing this.

The lecturer gave technical reasons for the shaping of struts and body to reduce this "drag," even to the making of wires and wheels on the landing chassis.

Comparisons were made between civilian flying and Air Force flying in the press reports and it was pointed out that the demands on the service flier were much greater, with night flying, deck landing, acrobatics and formation action. This civilian fliers never had to deal with, but all the pilots engaged had to have 1,000 hours flight time before they were employed, thus the personnel was the pick of the war time Air Force.

Aerial Survey was a branch of civilian flying which had been very successful. One company engaged had done good work in many countries and were now booked up over a period of four years. Canada was using air planes to cover forest fires and the U. S. A. to combat the boll weevil and fruit pests.

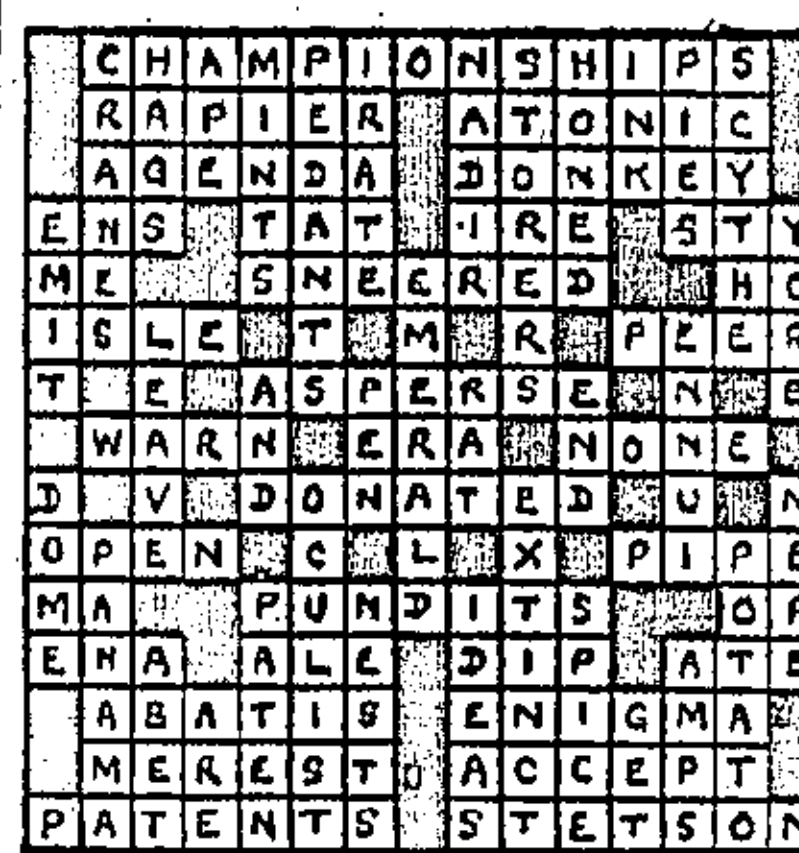
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12 The organs of vision.  
13 Employ.  
14 A number.  
15 Two.  
16 A reward.  
17 A row.  
18 Bustle.  
19 Evening.  
20 Metallic vessel which rings.  
21 To give up.  
22 A formal act of religion.  
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9 So as to be oval.  
10 A dress fabric.  
11 Steps.  
12 To cry as a sheep.

15 Forward.  
16 Pronoun.  
20 A unit.  
23 An idol.  
24 Pertaining to the country.  
25 Indian soldier.  
26 Priest's cloak.  
27 A host.  
28 Come in.  
29 An incident.  
37 Exchanging one thing for another.  
38 Insures vessels.  
39 Interior.  
41 A dead language.  
42 To be persistent.  
43 Large ducks.  
44 Uneven.  
45 A man's christian name (Abb.).  
46 Ropace.  
49 A plant.  
50 Part of speech.  
52 A unit.  
55 Portuguese coin.  
57 Doctor of Divinity (Abb.).  
58 A Printer's measure.



Light Aeroplane Clubs recently founded in England were bringing the science of flying to the notice of the man in the street of limited income. The country was becoming air-minded as they became motor minded by the introduction of the cheap car.

The development of air travel was dependent upon subsidisation in the opinion of the lecturer, and it was worthy of subsidisation, as air travel meant the development of out lying places. Landplanes were no better in performance than seaplanes, but the amphibian plane was invariably too heavy for utilitarian work.

There was a great future for an air line between the Straits and Shanghai, although there had been various abortive attempts which had come to nothing owing to bad organization.

In conclusion, Lieut. Newell expressed the wish that all who had an opportunity of flying would do so, as its inconveniences were greatly exaggerated and by their support the cause of the air service would be considerably advanced.

Colonel Boylan Smith then asked whether those present had any questions to put to the lecturer and Lady Clement took advantage of the opportunity offered to have certain difficulties cleared up. These points having been satisfactorily dealt with Colonel Boylan Smith tendered a hearty vote of thanks to Lieut. Newell which was enthusiastically endorsed.

## TERRIFIC U. S. STORM.

THREE MILLION DOLLARS  
DAMAGE.

New York, Feb. 21. Gales accompanied by very high tides caused considerable damage on the New Jersey and New England coast. A Coastguard patrol boat was wrecked off Provincetown and the entire crew of nine lost.—*Reuter's American Service.*

New York, Feb. 21. Over a score are dead and \$3,000,000 worth of damage has been done in a terrific storm on the Atlantic coast. The wind blew at eighty miles an hour and the sea was lashed into a fury of mountainous waves.

An extraordinary high tide created havoc on the seaboard. Hundreds aboard the small craft in the bays and harbours near here were rescued at the greatest peril of the rescuers.

Many lowlying suburbs, such as Staten Island, were flooded and the traffic in Long Island Sound is completely disorganised.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Madrid, Feb. 21. Sr. Yanguas, Foreign Minister, has resigned and General Primo de Rivera has assumed the portfolio.—*Reuter.*

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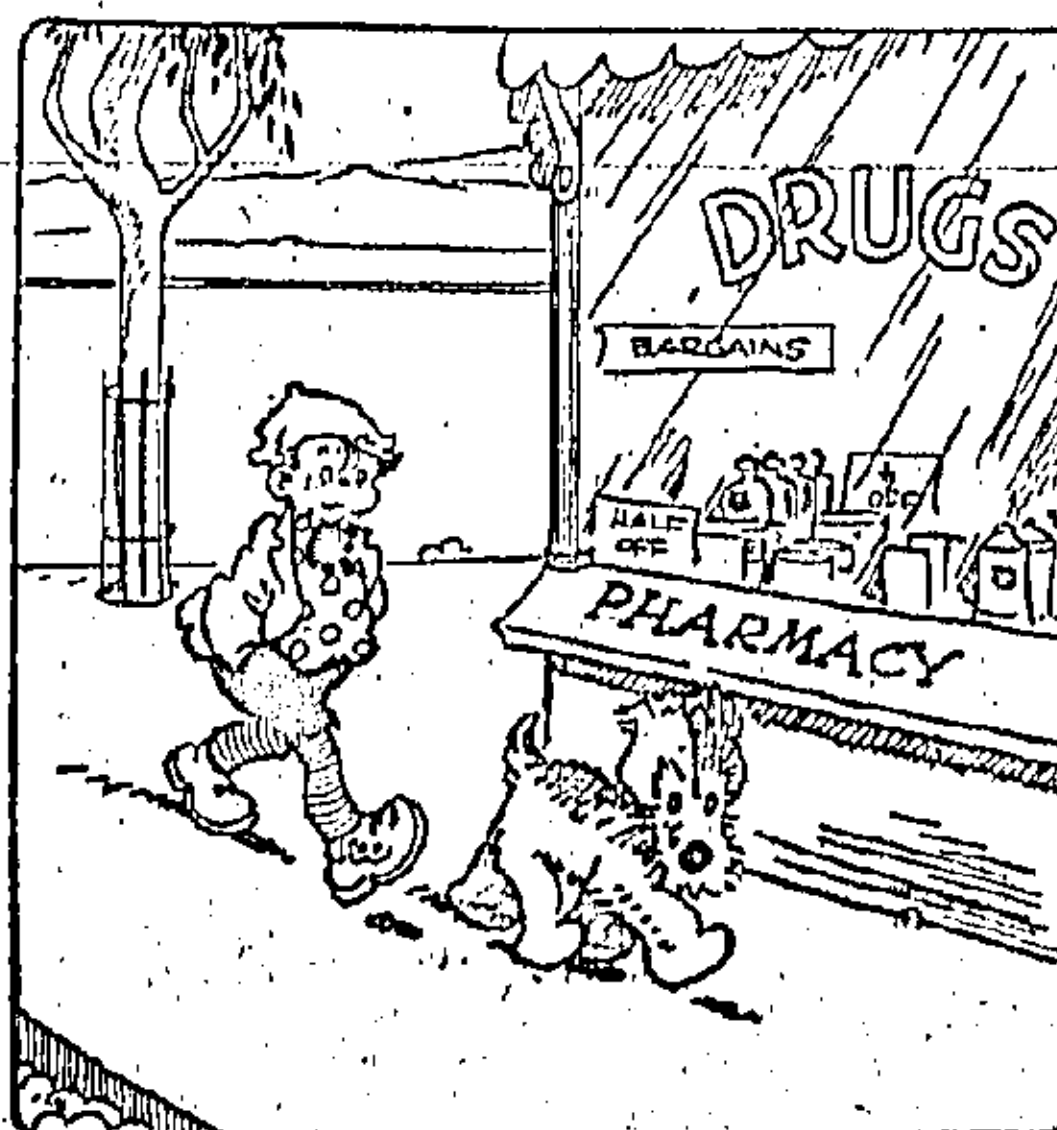
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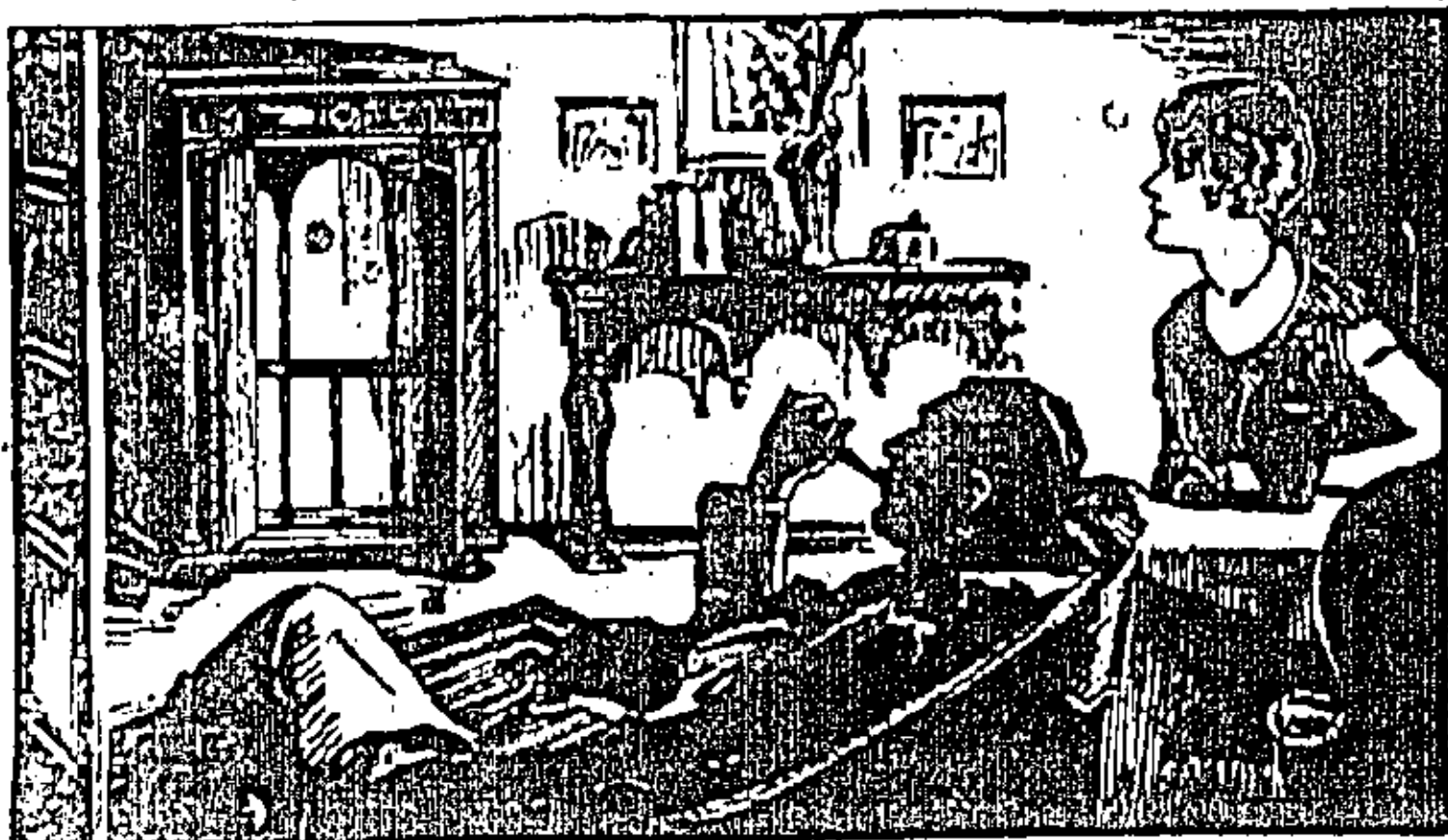
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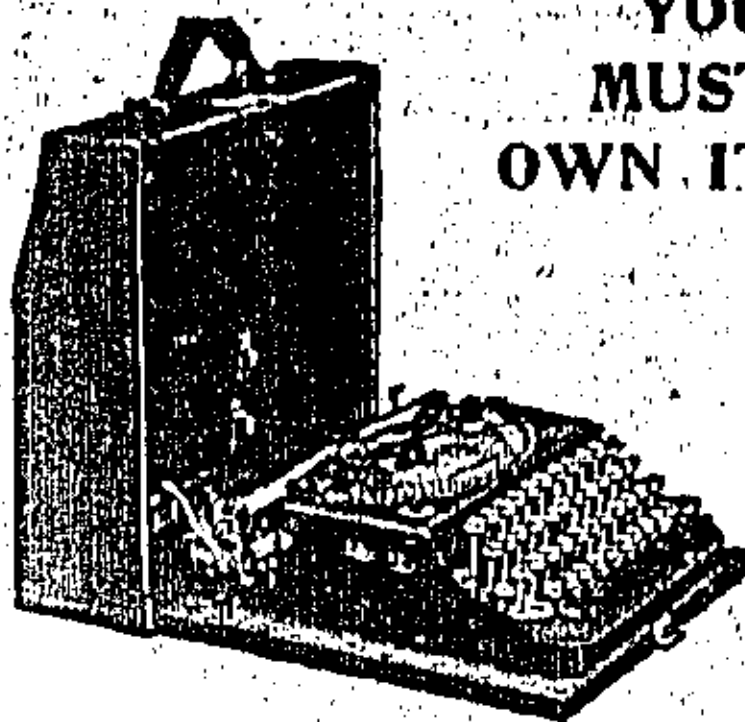
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S. A. Noronha and family tender sincere thanks to their relatives and friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement, also for floral tributes sent and attendance at the funeral, as well as to Dr. F. M. G. Ozorio and all those who called during the illness of the late Mrs. S. A. Noronha.

The  
**Hongkong Telegraph.**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1927.

### THE HANKOW AGREEMENTS.

At long last, agreements have been signed by Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Eugene Chen in regard to the future status of the British Concessions at Hankow and Kiukiang. Yesterday, we gave the text of these understandings, and it will be seen therefrom that Britain has acted with the utmost magnanimity in the matter. In point of fact, there was no obligation resting on the British Government to surrender its rights in these Concessions. Its position in the matter was quite clear—the Concessions were held under Treaty with the Government of China, and Britain would have been quite justified, on a strictly legal point, to have retained control of the Concessions until such time as negotiations could be entered into, for a revision of the Treaty rights, with a Government truly representing the whole of China. The fact that no such Government exists today has not, however, deterred Britain from completing an agreement with the Nationalists, and the explanation of this is to be found in the fact that such procedure is in line with the British policy of adjusting differences, as far as possible, with such authorities as happen to be in control of regions where those differences arise. That in itself is a most liberal and generous policy, and its observance in the case of Hankow and Kiukiang should convince the Nationalists of the bona fides of recent British declarations to respect Chinese national aspirations. Indeed, we go so far as to say that no other Power has shown such tangible proofs of friendship to the Chinese as Britain has; and, what is more significant still, is the fact that this very definite in-

dications of friendship has been made to a section of the Chinese which has maligned and misrepresented Britain as no other Chinese political faction has. Could generosity very well go further?

There is one clause in the Agreement regarding the Hankow Concession which is of peculiar importance and significance. We refer to the paragraph which says that the new arrangements for the administration of the Concession are to remain in force until such time as arrangements have been negotiated for the amalgamation of the five Hankow Concessions and former Concessions into one Municipal District. That would appear to presuppose the taking of definite steps for such an amalgamation. Will such steps be taken, and will the French and the Japanese, whose Concessions would be affected by the scheme, be likely to enter into any such arrangement? Those are points of the utmost importance now. If the Nationalists want to make it clear that they are not specifically anti-British in their policies, it would appear incumbent on them to make representations to the French and Japanese Governments with a view to altering the status of their Concessions in Hankow. Failing such a step, the impression will persist that the Nationalists are only concerned with wringing concessions from the British. This is an aspect of the matter which will be well worth watching. One other point, in conclusion. When Mr. Eugene Chen last declined to sign the pending Agreement with Mr. O'Malley, he took his stand on the point that Britain was concentrating troops in Shanghai. There is, however, no reference to this subject in the Agreement now signed. Britain thus retains the right, which she could under no circumstances surrender, of disposing of her forces as she sees fit. It may or may not be necessary to send further troops to Shanghai. That will entirely depend on circumstances; and Britain alone must decide such matters for herself. On that point, we can accept dictation from no-one.

### A Wise Step.

There is not the slightest doubt of the value of the idea of holding an agricultural show for the encouragement of farmers and produce-raisers in the New Territory to produce only the best possible. The first meeting of the Committee, held at Lady Ho Tung's experimental farm at Sheung Shui on Saturday, was itself a very productive one, for it brought very definite results. A show is going to be held next December at Sheung Shui, and Committees have been appointed. As an initial venture, the show is going to be confined to vegetables, fruits, grain, flowers, roots and melons, and it might also be possible to include classes for pigs and fowls. Anyone who is at all acquainted with the New Territories cannot fail to realise the very large potentialities of the district from an agricultural point of view, and also, owing to the comparative poverty of the farming class and the old-fashioned methods of cultivation, that only a proportion of what would otherwise be possible is now raised. Both as regards quantity and quality there is lots of room for improvement in the live stock and crops raised, and it is the laudable desire of those who are organising the forthcoming show to bring about an improvement. There are very many subsidiary questions involved in the main problem of bringing about that improvement, and it is gratifying to see that the newly-formed Committee, is very much alive to them. The value of the New Territories as a source of food supply to Hongkong has never been fully exploited and it is little short of wasteful to allow out-of-date methods and inferior stocks to continue their effects. Limitation. There should be much generous and enthusiastic support for those who have taken up the work of education and inspiration among the farmers and village folk, and we shall hope to see the movement started on Saturday carried to a very successful conclusion.

### DAY BY DAY.

TIME IS THE OLDEST AND MOST INFALLIBLE OF ALL CRITICS.—E. Rousseau.

The local weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—North-east winds; fresh, fine.

The Empress of Asia, which left Woosung, at 1 p.m. to-day, is due here on Thursday.

Three further Chinese cases of small-pox were notified yesterday, as well as one British case of typhoid.

The only case of notifiable disease reported to the Medical Officer of Health over the week-end was one British imported case of diphtheria.

A Chinese committed suicide by hanging himself yesterday, in his home at No. 204, Hollywood Road. The body was afterwards removed by the police to the Public Mortuary.

Six Filipino seamen, exhausted and half starved, were rescued from the top of a capized banana, near 'Olongapo, on the morning of January 31, by the U. S. S. S-33, of Submarine Division No. 17, according to reports received at Cavite by Admiral Sumner E. W. Kittelle.

The health return for the past week shows eleven cases of small-pox (all Chinese), with seven deaths; seven of typhoid (two each of British, Indian and Chinese and one of Japanese), with two deaths; and four of diphtheria (two British and two Chinese), with one fatality.

Finding the door open, robbers entered a hut at Ngautaukok in the Kowloon City district, yesterday, and carried out a robbery in the course of which they bound and gagged the inmate, after throwing cement into his eyes. Money and property to the value of \$92 were stolen. A suspect has been arrested.

In connection with the forthcoming displays by Miss Violet Capell's pupils, parents and friends of the children taking part in the display are requested not to make any presentation of gifts or flowers on Wednesday, 23rd inst., or Saturday, 26th inst., but if they bring anything along to the Matinee on Monday, 28th inst., the same will be handed up.

The Swedish Consulate General in Shanghai is interested in ascertaining the present whereabouts of the Swedish subject, Count Goran H.H.D. Falkenberg, born in 1904. He left Sweden in 1923 and is known to have been living in Brisbane, Australia, some time during 1924. The information is wanted owing to his being the heir of his late father.

The death has occurred at the residence of Mr. C. A. Balhatchet in Leith Street, Penang, of Mr. J. T. Andrews, of Paterson, Simons and Co., Ltd., Singapore. Deceased had been ill for some time and had been on leave. He had been to Sumatra and came on to Penang, with the hope of regaining his health. He was 46 years old and was for a long time connected with Paterson, Simons at Singapore.

### EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Feb. 21.
Paris	123.94
Geneva	26.22 1/2
Berlin	20.46 1/2
Bale	18.86
Helsingfors	102 1/2
Athens	37 1/2
Bombay	15.15 1/2
Yokohama	2.0 13/64
Brussels	34.37 1/2
Milan	109.15 1/2
Copenhagen	13.20 1/2
Prague	10 1/2
Lisbon	2.35 1/4
Buenos Aires	47.3 1/2
Hongkong	2/0 1/2
New York	48 1/4
Amsterdam	12.11 1/2
Stockholm	18.7
Vienna	34.40
Madrid	26.97
Rio	5 1/2
Shanghai	2/7 1/2
Silver (spot)	23 1/2
Silver (forward)	26.9 1/2

Several train carriage ventilators were broken at Ealing Broadway Station by a smoke chute which became detached from the bridge over the main line.

Only a few days after receiving congratulations from the King on completing her 100th year, Mrs. Mary Garner, of Coningsby, Lincoln, died yesterday.

### ACCOUNTANT GAGGED.

#### CRIMINAL SESSIONS TRIAL.

The Criminal Sessions were continued this morning before the acting Chief Justice, Mr. J. R. Wood, when a Chinese named Li Tim was charged for having, with others unknown, on January 28th, 1927, robbed Lo Pak-ping, accountant of the Yee On Company, of 338, Des Voeux Road West, of a bunch of keys, or, alternatively, assaulted Lo with intent to rob him. Mr. H. K. Holmes prosecuted for the Crown, and the prisoner, who pleaded "Not Guilty," was not represented. Mr. Holmes said on the day in question the accountant was sitting in the shop with a foki named Wong Tsai, when the prisoner entered the shop and told Wong Tsai that a clansman of his had been injured in a tashop near by. Accordingly, the foki went to the tashop and the prisoner also went out, but shortly returned and handed a paper to the accountant. The paper bore the character "Tsai" and others which were illegible.

The accountant became suspicious on receiving the paper, which he could not understand, and the next thing that happened was that two other men entered the shop, and the prisoner produced something from his sleeve which looked like a file. He pointed it at Lo and the other two men both produced knives. They closed the door and dragged Lo from behind the counter into the middle of the shop where they secured him with wire and used a piece of wood for a gag. In response to a demand, Lo handed over the keys, and two of the men then proceeded to open the safe, the third man standing guard.

In the meantime, the foki, being unable to learn of any accident at the tashop, became suspicious and returned, and, finding the door closed, banged upon it. The robbers opened the door and ran into the street, the prisoner threatening the foki with his knife as he ran past. The prisoner was eventually caught in Water Street.

During the whole of the time, the prisoner was wearing an overcoat, and when he was caught, the bunch of keys belonging to the accountant were found in the pocket.

When he was charged, the prisoner said he was told to go to the shop to get money, and Mr. Holmes commented that that did not appear to be an admission. Prisoner had denied the ownership of a knife which was picked up in the street near the premises. The prisoner alleged that the charge was trumped up because he had arranged to borrow money from the accountant.

The jury returned a verdict of "Guilty," and his Lordship imposed sentence of five years' hard labour.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### THE VOLUNTEERS.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—Your appeal in Saturday's issue, calling on the young men of the Colony to join the local Defence Corps, is sure to meet with immediate response, but why confine your remarks to the "young men?" In point of fact, haven't the taipans of this Colony far more personal property to protect than the "new arrivals" in case any trouble were to arise here?

Doubtless many of the present taipans have already done service with the Volunteers. That is all to the good, but it is no excuse why they should not join up again at a time when every man counts. I submit that a man, irrespective of age, who is able to do his steady eighteen holes of golf or six sets of tennis is fit enough to carry a rifle and give a hand in defending his own life and property should the occasion demand it.

The heads of firms in this Colony would do well to join up themselves and give the necessary lead to their staffs. Then, and only then, will they be in a position to urge others to join. In these days of trade depression, the plea of too much work does not apply.

What's that? Haven't got a Company? Then let them get together and form a Taipans' Company.—Yours, etc.,  
C. G. M.  
Hongkong, Feb. 21st, 1927.

## The Very Idea!

This is a Lancashire rough diamond story. It has to do with a man whose native genius had carried him to big success in business without much aid of education.

He was asked to distribute the prizes at a school. In the event he made the usual speech of good counsel.

"Now, you boys," he said, "always remember that education is a great thing. There's nothing like education. Take arithmetic. Through education we learn that twice two make four, that twice six make twelve, that seven sevens make . . . and then there's geography."

"I am the king of my household,"  
Said he to folks around him.  
And then—the story's very old—  
His wife up and crowned him.

There is a coincidence in the fact that Mlle. Lavalliere, so well known on the Paris stage, should have decided to become a nun, for it was to a convent that a more famous La Valliere retired when she was supplanted by Mme. de Montespan in the affections of Louis XIV.: she was a nun for the last thirty-five years of her life. In the course of that time the Montespan herself had also taken refuge in a convent—with a pension of half-a-million francs.

Father, at Kingston: My son got out of bed when he was asleep and opened the door to the policeman.

Landlord at Clerkenwell County Court: After paying no rent for months my tenant suddenly paid two weeks in succession. Judge Roope-Reeve: That was probably the result of his winning a sweepstake.

It is useless to call for peace and to make for war.—Mr. J. R. Clynes.

I am convinced that the film exercises a form of hypnotism.—Mr. Cedric Hardwicke.

It is impracticable to keep matches out of the way of children.—Dr. E. Smith (Shoreditch Coroner).  
I would be prepared to exonerate from guilt a person who told a lie to save an innocent life if reasonably sure that not to tell a lie would involve loss of life.—The Bishop of Southwell.

Six fire engines, forty firemen, a large number of police, and a crowd of reporters and photographers—these forces hastily gathered in response to an alarm of fire at the Salford Docks recently, only to find, on arrival on the scene, that a man had singed his hair by accident, and a companion had in a panic rung the fire alarm bell.

The movement for Brighter Bazaars is all very well, but in the case of the one at Mitcham where, behind the placard, "A Horrible Murder," "people are offered a prize for pointing out (in the grounds of a doll's house) the exact spot at which the 'murder' took place," the brightness tends to become lurid. Some distinction ought to be observed between the news of the World and the news of the Church.

More "howlers":  
The population of London is a bit too thick.

Joan of Arc was canonized by Bernard Shaw.

Lipton is the capital of Ceylon. Theseus begged Minos to try and kill the labyrinth.

William III., on his way to Hampton Court, stumbled over a mole and broke his collar-stud—which was fatal to a man of his constituency.

For the first time in his life Bobby saw a flounder.

"Look, ma," he cried excitedly. "Look at that funny fish! He's got a flat tyre!"

The annual Dinner of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong will take place in the Rooms on Friday, March 11, at 8 p.m. His Excellency The Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., the Hon. President, has intimated his intention of being present.



## RECENT OUTRAGE.

## CATHOLIC PRIESTS' EXPERIENCES.

## BOUND AND ASSAULTED.

The two Irish priests, Frs. P. O'Connell and F. McDonald of St. Columban's Mission, Hanyang, who were recently mishandled by a peasant's union near Klon Kiang, West Hupeh, made a public statement on the 7th instant concerning their adventure. The following is their signed report of the occurrence:

"The first report circulated about our capture did not come from us and contains several exaggerations regarding the treatment meted out to us. Our clothes and boots were not taken off. Neither were we stabbed; nor were we tied to poles nor to a tree.

## The Facts.

"The following are the facts—A branch of the Nung Men Hsieh Hwei (Peasants Union) from a place about five miles away came to our Church at Ko Chia Tsui armed with pikes, swords and a few old guns. I went out to meet them. The leaders asserted that there were eight English priests at the Church and some guns. I assured them that there were only two of us—Irish priests quite unarmed. The leader then stated that since we belonged to a friendly nation they would not harm us, but that we should have to cease preaching Christianity. He then produced a crucifix, taken that day from a Catholic house, and pointing to it said I should have to remove the Cross from the Church and give it to him and surrender both Church and house to them. I refused all these demands.

## Wrists Bound.

"The crowds (over which the leaders had only nominal control) seized me, bound my wrists tightly and one of them struck me on the head with a stick. The crowd then rushed into the Church and residence, broke the Church windows and removed some religious articles from the buildings. Entering the residence they met my confrere, Father McDonald, who had a white metal crucifix in his hand. They struck him and broke the crucifix in his hand. Then seizing him, they marched him outside the gate, bound his wrists and tied him to me. The leader then came over and whispered to us 'Pu Yao Chin' (not serious).

## Officials Help.

"We were then marched to the headquarters of a local branch of the Hwei, a distance of about five miles. At their meeting place, the leaders on being assured that we had no firearms and that we were Irish, unbound our hands and induced the crowd to leave. They returned to us some of the articles taken from our persons including my pocket-book containing twenty dollars. They gave us food and a bed and said they would set us free in the morning. Next day they held a further meeting in which they decided to take us to the Provincial Magistrate at Tien Men. A body of about twenty men took us there. Passing through the villages we were repeatedly subjected to insulting remarks. At one town we were for a time in serious danger but the leaders of the escorting party hurried us off immediately.

## Liberated.

"Arrived at Tien Men, the provincial Magistrate received us well. We were provided with food and a bed and told we would be liberated and escorted back to our Church by another route. The following day under an escort of four soldiers, we reached Yo Chia Ko where we learned that when our captors had taken us away from Ko Chia Tsui, a local crowd had entered the church and house and had left nothing but the bare walls. Subsequently we set out for the Mission Headquarters at Hanyang where we are safe and well."

## TO-DAY

Dollar on demand 2/5/16  
Lighting-up 6.23 p.m.

## ARMS SEIZURE.

## CHINESE PASSENGER SENTENCED.

A young Chinese passenger from America, arriving by the President Jefferson, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of unlawful possession of a rifle, two Luger pistols, a dagger and about 500 rounds of ammunition. It was stated that the false bottom of the defendant's trunk.

In applying for the imposition of a heavy fine, Sergeant Barnicle said that, when asked, the defendant denied that he had arms in his possession.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, defending, pleaded that the defendant, who was educated in America, was merely trying to escape the attention of the authorities to avoid the delay in getting permission. He wanted the arms for self-protection and took the risk of evading the police.

A fine of \$500, or six months' hard labour, was imposed.

## OPIUM ADDICT.

## SEARCH FOR A CURE.

An addict to the opium habit told the Magistrate this morning that he had put up a big fight in endeavouring to cure himself of the habit. He began by cutting down his daily consumption to a point at which it would be dangerous to proceed further, then acted on the advice of friends by preparing curative pills which were compounded of opium dross and medicated wine. It was this compound that he was preparing over a fire when the Senior Revenue Officer made his early-morning visit.

Defendant also stated that he bought what was described as "concentrated sarsaparilla" from Messrs. A. S. Watson's shop, in the belief that this would cure him.

The case was one which Mr. R. E. Lindell reopened in response to an application from Mr. M. K. Lo, the defendant having previously been sentenced to three months' hard labour, without the option of a fine for preparing opium.

In view of the new light thrown on the case by the defendant's statement, which his Worship now accepted, the Magistrate converted the sentence to one of a fine of \$50.

## WHICH CLIENT?

## SOLICITOR'S FLIGHT.

Mr. F. E. Loseby appeared as defending solicitor in an opium case called before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, and was considerably nonplussed in trying to discover which of the two old women charged was his client.

"I understand it is the younger of the two," he finally stated.

His Worship:—Looking at them, can you state which of the two is younger?

His Worship looked up the charge sheets, and after a pause announced:—One is 47 and the other is 36 years of age.

Mr. Loseby applied for a short remand, expressing his conviction that by the time the case came up again, he would be put right in the matter of identification.

His Worship:—Yes, we'll leave it until Thursday. Perhaps you may be defending both.

Bail fixed in the case was \$700 and \$1,200 respectively.

## TWO DESTITUATES.

## ONE SENT TO GAOL.

Paul Rasmussen, a native of Oslo, Norway, was charged with being a destitute, before Major C. Willson this morning. He made a long statement to the effect that he had at one time worked on a farm and also at a lumber camp in Canada, eventually coming out to the Far East in search of a more lucrative job.

It was understood that arrangements were being made to send the defendant away from the Colony, and an order was made for his confinement in the House of Detention for the time being.

Sergeant Elston also charged another destitute, a Ukrainian, named Michael Ivanoff, with stowing away on the s.s. Hangsang from Swatow. The defendant was found hiding in the coal bunkers, and it was assumed that he got on board at Swatow.

His Worship imposed sentence of one month's hard labour.

## BRIBERY CHARGE.

## SHANGHAI LAWYER ARRESTED.

## AMERICAN IN TROUBLE.

Bribery is the charge on which Mr. Noll McKee Heath, former U. S. attorney of Shanghai, was arrested in Honolulu on February 4, it was revealed last week by Dr. George Sellett, United States District Attorney for China. Mr. Heath, it was stated, was arrested on a technical charge of bribery.

"An information was filed and a warrant issued for the arrest of Mr. Heath on January 25, charging bribery," Dr. Sellett declared. "Mr. Heath is charged with procuring Mr. A. M. Tracey Woodward to pay a bribe to Mr. Leonard Goodwin Husar, then U. S. District Attorney for China."

## Returning to Shanghai.

Mr. Heath is being returned to Shanghai on the liner President Lincoln, which left Honolulu on February 11 and is due on February 25.

In the summer of 1924 Mr. Heath arrived in Shanghai, coming to Shanghai as an oiler on an American steamship. The ship was subsequently sold in Ningpo, according to Mr. J. W. Schoenfeld, of the legal firm of Schuh and Schoenfeld, who represented approximately 20 of the discharged members of the crew, who maintained that the owners of the vessel did not make adequate provision for their return to the United States. Messrs. Schuh and Schoenfeld won the case and the owners of the vessel were obliged further to compensate the members of the crew, insuring their passage back to America.

## Became Attorney.

Mr. Heath received additional compensation but elected to remain in Shanghai, where he became a practising attorney.

Although he was a member of the Bar in Shanghai for more than two years, Mr. Heath did not appear in any important cases in the American Court, it was stated. Mr. Heath hails from the State of Georgia, as is evidenced by his slow Southern manner of speech.

Mr. Husar is charged with bribery in the American Court and with having accepted a bribe of \$25,000 from Mr. A. M. Tracey Woodward, in connection with an alleged opium trafficking case. Mr. Husar's case is pending in the United States Court for China. The latter was United States District Attorney for China for nearly five years and recently resigned from the office.

## Attempt at Blackmail.

"It has been intimated by the defence that the entire case is the result of an attempt to blackmail Mr. Husar. Mr. Husar, against whom damaging statements were made by his former wife, Mrs. Mary Jo Husar, recently obtained a divorce in Shanghai.

"Will Mrs. Husar be brought to China as a witness in the case against Mr. Husar?" Dr. Sellett was asked. Under the laws of the United States a wife may not testify against her husband, but Mrs. Husar can now legally offer evidence against Mr. Husar as they are divorced.

## Came As Surprise.

Dr. Sellett, however, would not answer the question.

"I have nothing to say on that score," he declared.

At the time of Mr. Husar's resignation, which came as a surprise in Shanghai, he announced that he was planning to tour Europe and then return to his home in Los Angeles, where he proposed to become a candidate for the office of District Attorney of Los Angeles County, an office now held by Mr. Asa Keyes. Mr. Husar was formerly Assistant City Attorney of Los Angeles.

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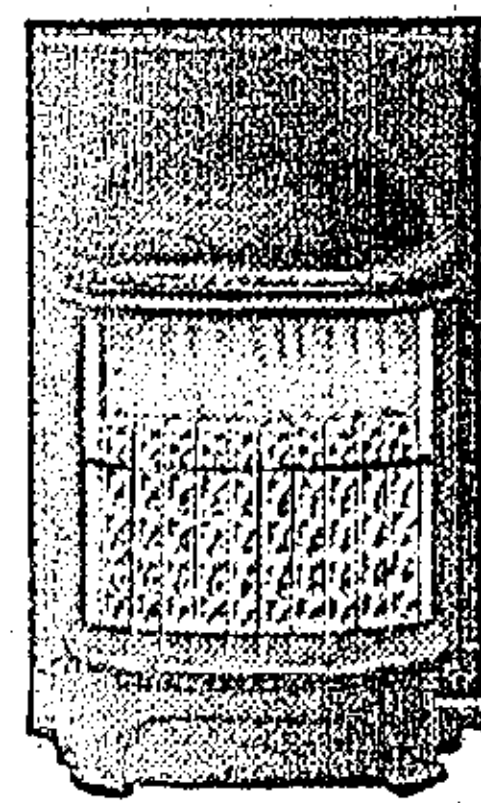


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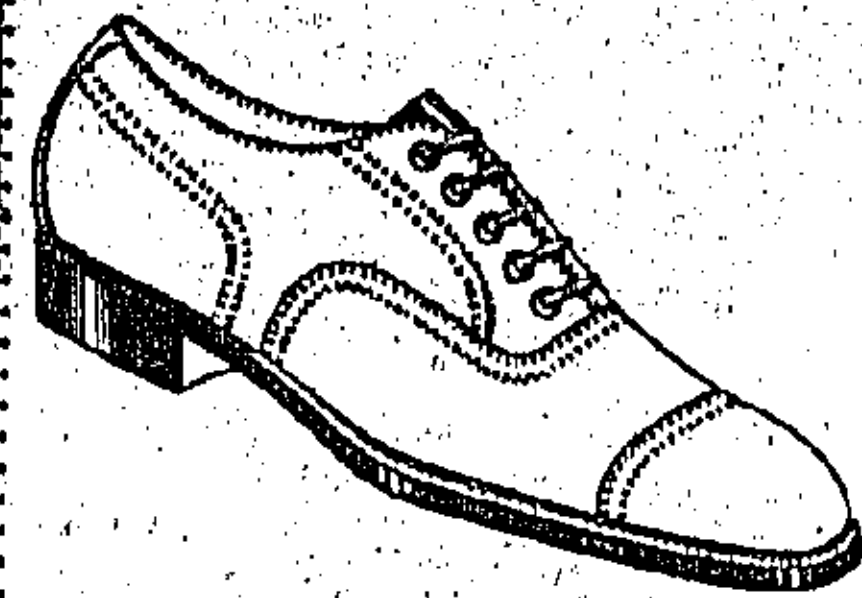
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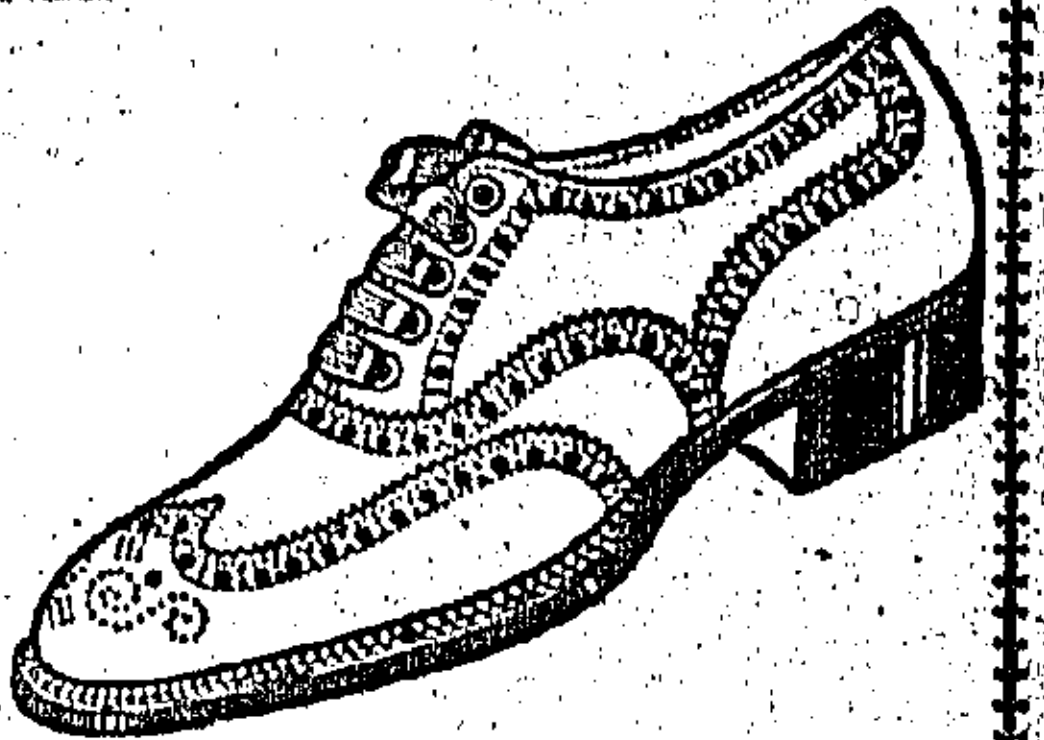
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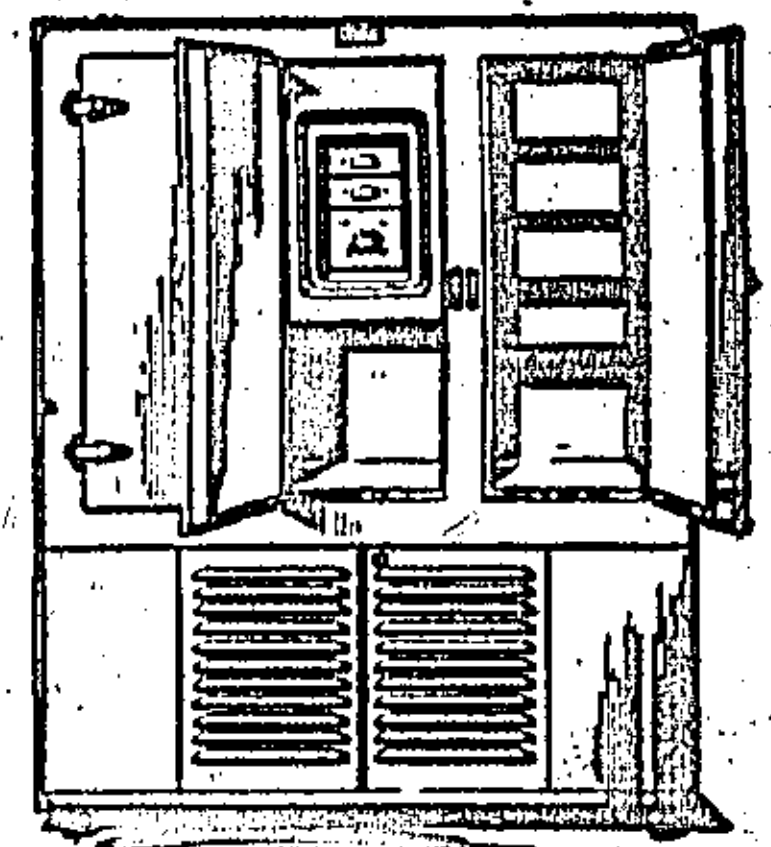
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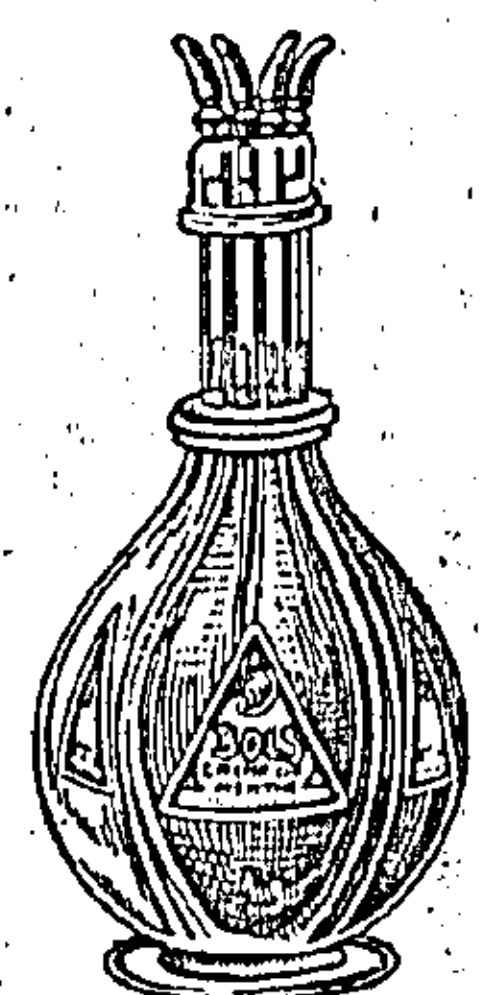
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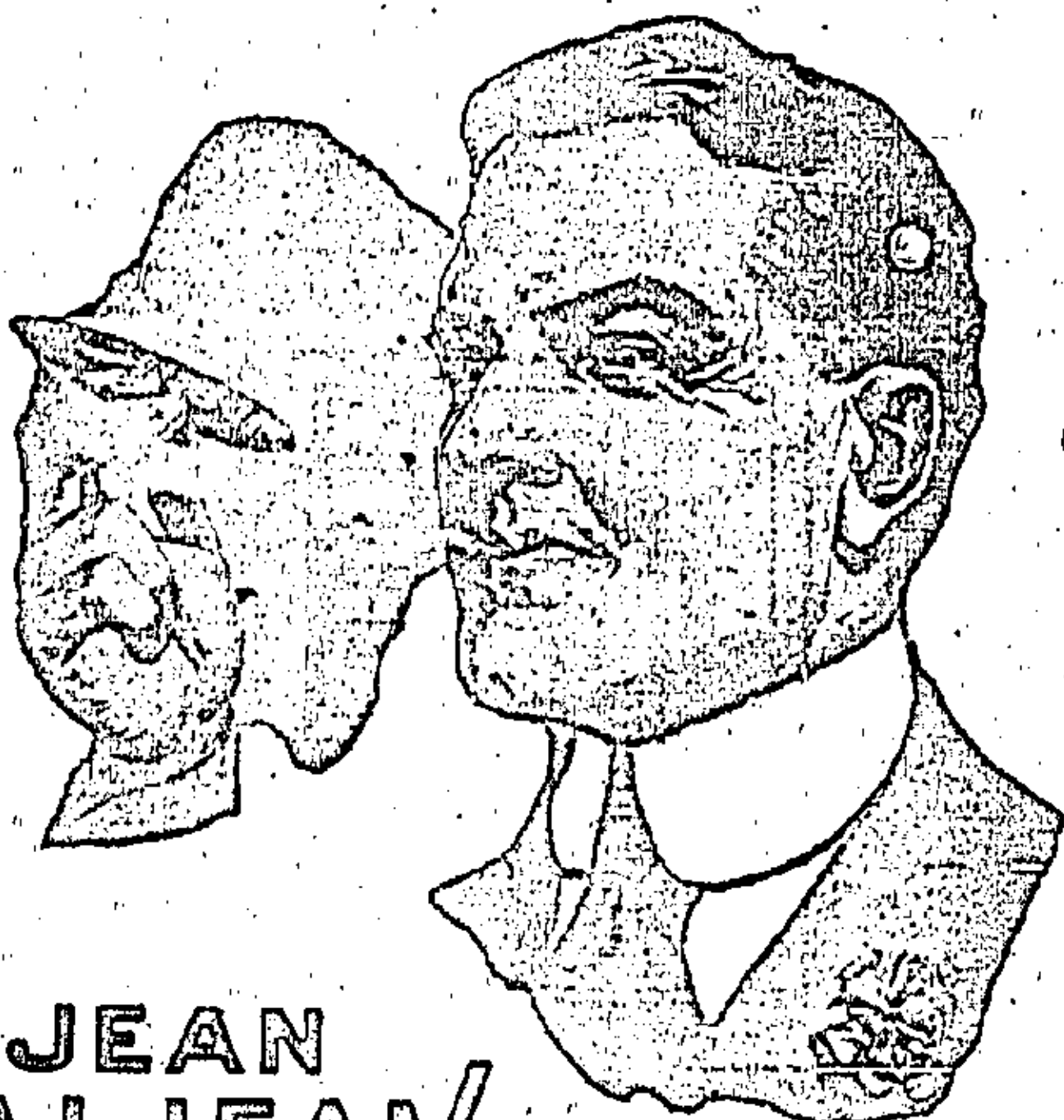
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## KOWLOON'S PROGRESS.

(Continued From Page 2.)

Press, that the Committee had nominated Dr. J. C. Macgown for the position of President this year. They all felt that he would make a very popular President, but he understood that Dr. Macgown was leaving the Colony rather earlier than he anticipated. He would therefore ask him to make his own explanation, and propose someone for the position. Dr. Macgown said he had very much pleasure in proposing Mr. W. J. Stokes as President. He was an old resident of Kowloon, had the good of the community at heart and was an extraordinarily keen worker on the Committee. There was no question brought up that he did not take an interest in. He had served on a number of sub-committees and taken the greatest care and patience in going into details, even going to the trouble to consult reference books in the library on any doubtful points. He was sure the Association could not possibly have a better man for the position. Dr. Macgown expressed regret that he would be unable to take an active part in the doings of the Association next year owing to the fact that he was going away, but he hoped to continue his interest in the work on his return. Mr. Stokes was a hard worker and with a mar with his ability as leader, the Association would be exceedingly well served. (Applause).

Rev. G. R. Lindsay seconded. No Committee member, he said, had served the Association more fully and completely than Mr. Stokes. He believed Mr. Stokes had been associated with the Committee for the last six or seven years and was the type of man who took an interest in the work. All members of the Committee had heard of his nomination with pleasure, and would wish him the greatest success in his year of office. (Applause).

The motion was approved with enthusiastic unanimity.

### The Vice-President.

Mr. Stokes nominated Mr. B. Wylie for the position of Vice President. Mr. Wylie, he said, was President of the Association two years ago and had been their representative on the Education Board. Mr. Wylie had taken the very deepest interest in the Association and had gone to much trouble to get things into line. It had been a pleasure to work with him. They could not do better, and he was pleased to say that Mr. Wylie was quite prepared to serve. (Applause).

Mr. J. M. Alves seconded. Before putting the motion to the meeting, the Chairman explained that Mr. Wylie was unable to attend the meeting owing to a summons to appear on a Volunteer parade. The motion was carried unanimously.

### The Hon. Treasurer.

For the position of Hon. Treasurer, the name of Mr. J. M. Alves was submitted by Mr. Bailey, who said that they could not possibly have a better man either in regard to the interest he took in the Association or in regard to ability and willingness to serve.

Mr. J. M. Alves seconded, and the Chairman supporting, spoke of the diligence with which Mr. Alves rounded up subscribers. The motion was carried with acclamation.

### The Hon. Secretary.

Mr. Stokes proposed Mr. F. W. Stapleton as Hon. Secretary. Mr.

Stapleton, he said, came to their assistance when they were in a hole and had been good enough to carry on since.

Mr. J. M. Noronha, seconding, said that Mr. Stapleton had already shown his willingness and ability and he was glad to know he was going to continue to give them the benefit of his experience. The motion was heartily carried.

### The Committee.

The following were elected to serve on the Committee for the ensuing year: Rev. Fr. Spada, Messrs. B. W. Cape, E. M. Campbell, E. Abraham, E. V. M. K. de Sousa, J. M. Noronha, A. W. Eastman, F. J. Easterbrook, W. S. Bailey, F. C. Mow Fung, J. M. Wong, J. H. Hunt, J. H. Donnithorne, D. F. Warren, T. Arnott, C. M. Mannors and E. Cock.

### New President's Appeal.

At the conclusion of the ordinary business of the meeting, Mr. W. J. Stokes, the new President, said:

I have to thank you very sincerely for the honour you have conferred in electing me President. I have to follow not one, but a line of good men and I approach the task with a feeling of diffidence as to my capability of handling on the work in as fine a condition as I find it. I can only assure you that I shall use every endeavour to justify your choice. This Association has done valuable work for Kowloon and there is still much valuable work for it to do. It has made no exorbitant demands; it has endeavoured to sift matters to the bottom before making suggestions and, as a consequence, very few of its recommendations have been ignored or neglected. What it really stands for, and stands by, is keen rational activity in bringing to the notice of those concerned any matters in which it is thought improvement can be made.

What I would specially like to say is that we want more members, not for the sake of their subscriptions, but to enable your Committee to feel that it has a strong representative backing behind it. The work that we undertake is a matter of keen personal interest to us, and all we ask is the knowledge that our work is for the benefit of all Kowloon residents. The Association knows no difference of race, creed or politics; its sole aim is to make Kowloon better than it was. There is one other point, with regard to membership, which I think is worth mentioning. We submit, that no matter where you live or where you are employed, the improvement we have been able to bring about has been beneficial to all, and we deprecate as unreasonable those who say that as their quarters are supplied by their employers, there is no necessity for them to join the Association. We invite them to consider what their quarters would be without improvements in ferries and ferry approaches, roads and traffic, street lighting and postal facilities, to say nothing of Kowloon Hospital; all of which have, in their turn, engaged the close attention and activities of the Association. I therefore put it to all who are present to-night, if you are not already members, join at once and, if you are members, make your friends aware of our activities and the work we are trying to do. (Applause).

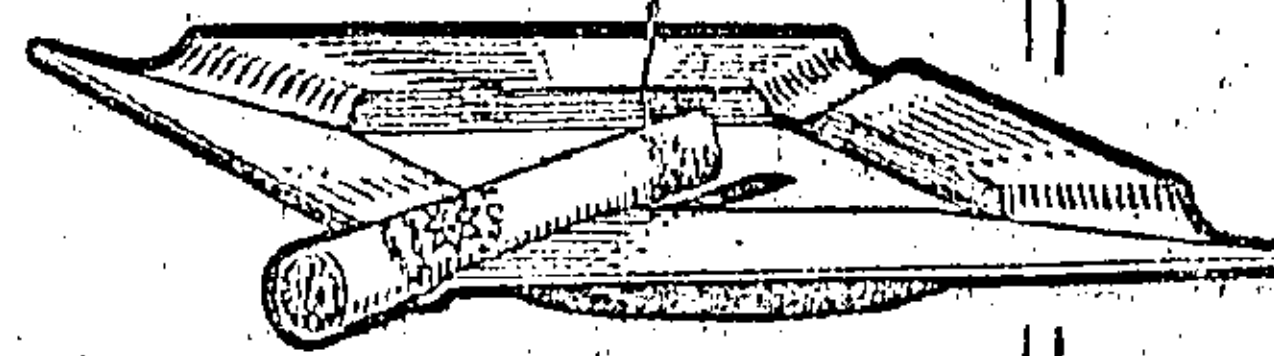
### Officers Thanked.

Mr. J. H. Hunt proposed a vote of thanks to the officers and Committee for their work during the past year. He said that for many reasons it was difficult to cultivate a strong civic sense in Kowloon. They had created a town of their own in the Y. M. C. A. recently, called Mudford, in which the members had given expression to the cultivation of civic education. Quite a lot of those fellows ought to have been there that evening, but it was very difficult to get men, particularly young men, to attend. The K. R. A. was an Association which was a very real thing and personally he was gratified to see such a body of men who had been looking after his interests in the way they had during the past few years. He had been roped in that evening, so that he would no longer be able to speak in the way he was speaking now. Kowloon was their home, and they wanted to put the best into it. Just to criticise the P. W. D. and the Government was not sufficient. They ought to stand up for them and help them and advise them, because sometimes they saw things from a different angle. He thought it behoved every resident in Kowloon to join the Association. They were extremely grateful to all the officers for their services during the past year and he had much pleasure in proposing a hearty vote of thanks to them. (Applause).

Mr. E. W. Gaubert, seconded, remarking that the Committee's achievements during the past year redounded to their credit. The motion was heartily carried. Mr. J. M. Alves voiced thanks to the Rev. G. R. Lindsay who, he regretted, was shortly leaving town, for all his interest in and the work he had done for the Association, and particularly for allowing them the use of that room for their meetings. They

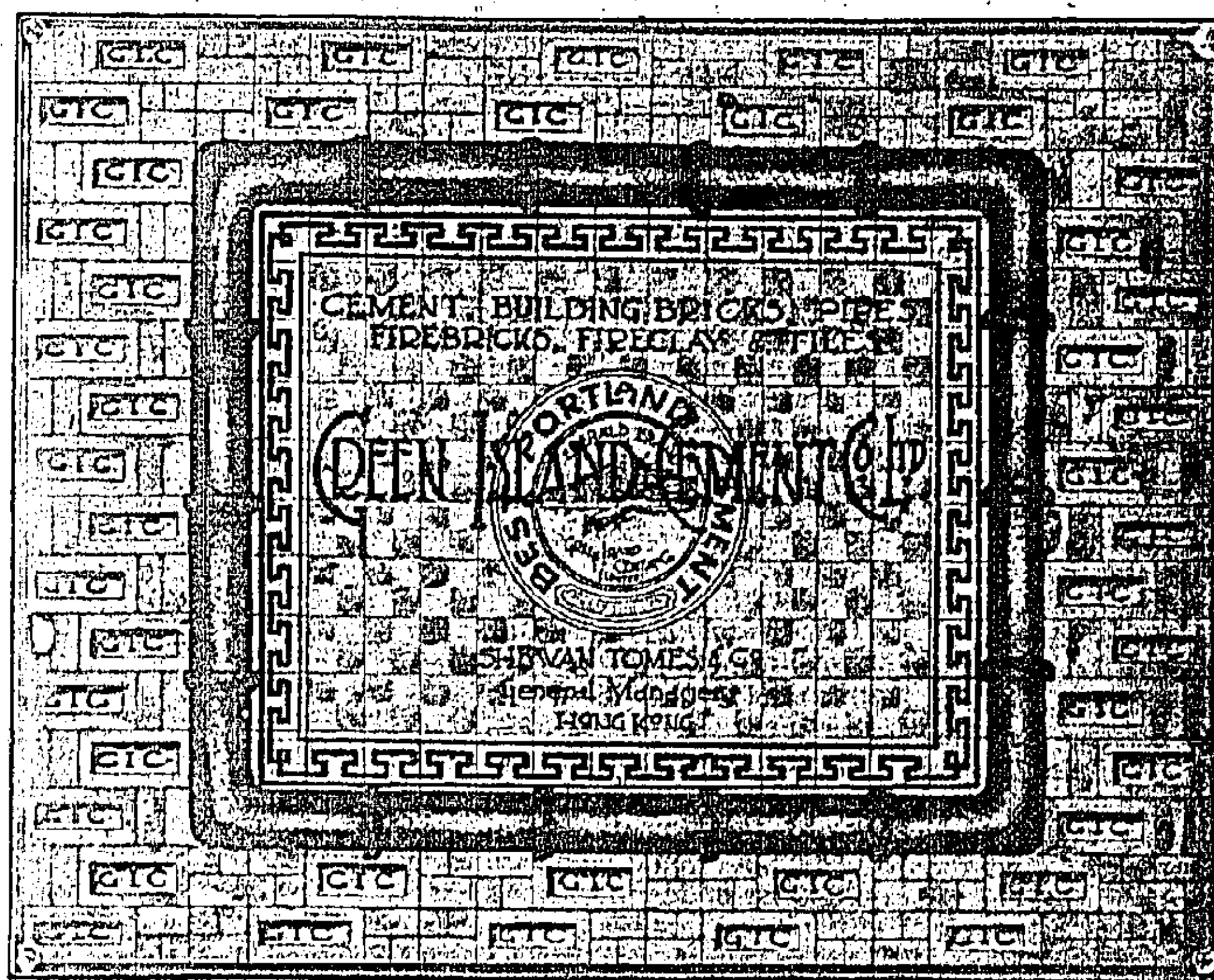


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owed a very great debt of gratitude to him.

Mr. Stokes also referred to Mr. Lindsay's good work, and Mr. Lindsay, in returning thanks, expressed appreciation of all the President had done during the year. Mr. Johnston's ability and experience were invaluable. Mr. Stokes having added a few words of praise, the President said the work had widened and deepened his interest in the community in which he lived.

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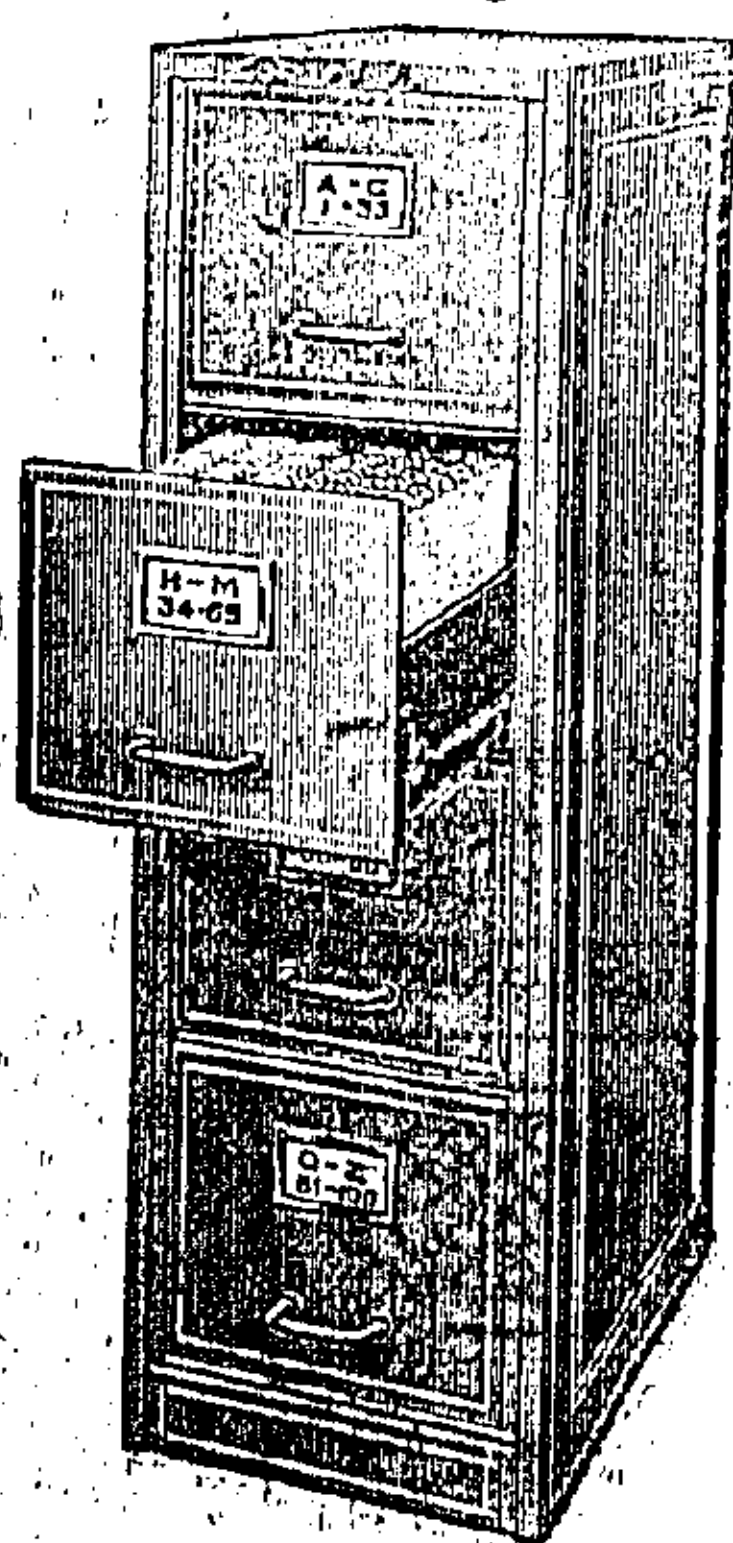
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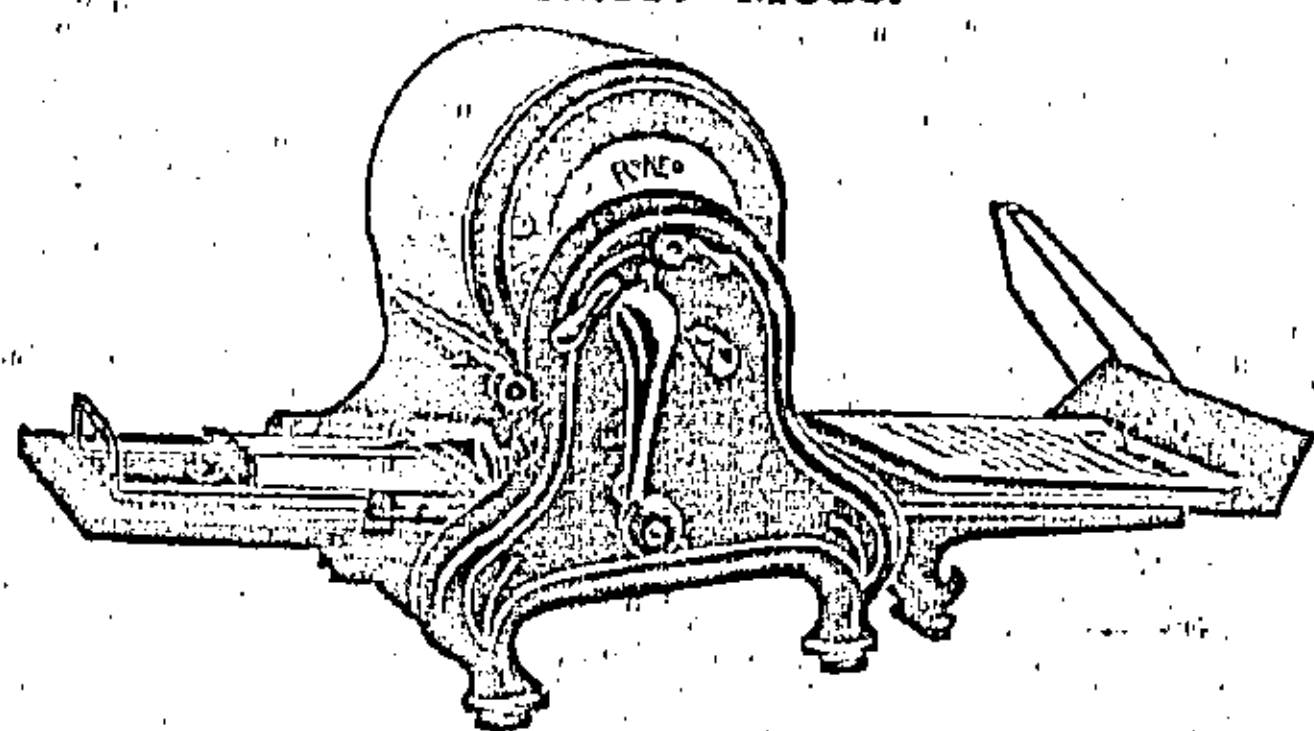


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**BATTLE OF GIN DRINKERS' BAY.****FOUR MEN SENTENCED.**

A thrilling story of a revolver battle between the police and alleged robbers and kidnappers, at Gin Drinkers' Bay, was told by the Attorney General, Sir Joseph Kemp, in the Supreme Court yesterday when the Criminal Sessions commenced before the acting Chief Justice, Mr. J. R. Wood.

The case for the Crown concluded during the afternoon and the four prisoners made statements from the dock on their own behalf. The first said he came to Hongkong to buy salt to pickle the vegetables he had grown. He was accused by robbers who struck him with revolvers and made him go with them.

The second prisoner said he brought his junk to Hongkong to buy salt and, in fact, deposited \$500 with a Kowloon dealer in this connexion. The merchant was called and substantiated prisoner's story that there had been dealings between them.

The other two men said they were on the junk with the second prisoner when they encountered robbers who made him sail away in the direction of Gin Drinkers' Bay. After the acting Chief Justice had summed up the jury retired and on returning brought in a verdict of guilty against all four men on the charges of attempted robbery and kidnapping. His Lordship sentenced each prisoner to three years' hard labour on each count, the sentences to run concurrently.

**Praise For Police.**

The jury returned a verdict of not guilty on the other charges against the four men, but a verdict of guilty in the case of the first prisoner who was also charged with the possession of a dagger. This man was sentenced to an additional two years' hard labour, making five in all.

After passing sentence the acting Chief Justice called Sub-Inspector Andrew to the witness box and said "I know full well that all the members of the Hongkong Police Force are accustomed to accepting work such as in this case as part of the ordinary routine but you will allow me to congratulate you and all the officers with you who took part in this matter for the way you faced up to great personal risk with credit to yourselves and to the Police Force of the Colony."

The jury also associated themselves with His Lordship's remarks.

**NICARAGUAN REVOLT.**

MORE AMERICAN MARINES LANDED.

Corinto, Nicaragua, Feb. 21. Eight hundred and ten American bluejackets have landed, 400 of whom have been posted at Leon, 800 at Chinandega and the others scattered along the railway to guard the permanent way, bridges and water tanks.

Admiral Latimer emphasises that the landing is merely a continuance of the policy of protecting the lives and investments of foreigners and in no wise a step towards intervention.

Washington, Feb. 21. It is announced that the State Department's decision to land additional naval forces in Nicaragua was taken with the full consent and approval of the Nicaraguan Government. The opinion here regarding the fresh landing is that the Government is determined to permit no interruption of traffic or factional fighting for possession of the towns where Americans and foreigners are engaged in business.  
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## WAITRESS ATTACKED.

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS TRIAL.

Two Chinese, who are alleged to have attacked a Chinese waitress and stolen a wrist-watch and band, appeared before the acting Puisne Judge, Mr. J. H. B. Nicholl, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, to answer a charge of robbery. The second prisoner was further charged with receiving the watch and band, knowing them to have been stolen. Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith appeared for the Crown, and the prisoners, who were not represented, pleaded "Not Guilty."

Mr. Whyte-Smith explained that the complainant, who was employed at a tea house at No. 18, Canton Road, Kowloon, would say she left her place of employment at 10.15 p.m. on January 18th, and went to Ashley Street. She then wanted to get to Hai-phong Road and turned down a lane in this direction. In the lane she saw the first prisoner standing, and he seized her. Two other men rushed up, and together they overpowered her and obtained the watch and band. They then ran away, but the complainant followed the first prisoner and pointed him out to a police officer. At the scene of the robbery, the police found a handkerchief, belonging to the complainant, and a pair of brown leather slippers.

Acting on information, the following day the police found the second prisoner in bed, and under the mat of the bed they found a chain belonging to the watch. The man was asked to put his shoes on, but he replied that he had lost them on the previous night.

The evidence of identification of the first man was strong, as the complainant had seen him in the tea-house earlier on the evening of the robbery. When charged, the second prisoner said someone told him to go to Kowloon to strike a waitress, and Mr. Whyte-Smith submitted that that implied that the prisoner was on the spot at the time. The first prisoner made a statement to the effect that he was only a spectator.

The case is proceeding.

## CHAPLIN'S WIFE.

## TO GET USE OF MANSION.

Los Angeles, Feb. 15.—The use of Charlie Chaplin's stately Beverly Hills mansion was granted to his wife, Lita Grey Chaplin to-day, by Superior Judge Guerin when she testified that she fled from home when her husband threatened her life. Mrs. Chaplin is suing her movie comedian husband for a divorce.

Judge Guerin ordered Chaplin to pay his wife \$3,000 a month temporary alimony, beginning March 1. Mrs. Chaplin testified that her husband waved a gun at her and said he would kill her if she left or told the newspapers anything about him. This, she said, happened on the night before she left.

The court had previously ordered Chaplin to pay his wife \$4,000 a month temporary alimony but Mrs. Chaplin has been unable to collect it, so the amount was reduced to \$3,000.

Mrs. Chaplin recently tried to have her husband arrested on a charge of abandonment and failure to provide. His lawyers said the actor had been sending his wife a cheque for \$100 a week. Mrs. Chaplin's attorneys admitted this but said the cheques had not been cashed as they were inadequate and to cash them would be equivalent to admitting they were sufficient.

## BLAMED WIFE.

## HUSBAND REPROVED IN COURT.

In the case of an opium charge against four defendants, including a woman, at the Central Police Court this morning the husband of the woman, who was also charged with the major offence of running an opium den, attempted to foist the responsibility on his wife by pointing out that it was she who was the principal tenant of the floor.

This evoked from the Magistrate (Mr. R. E. Lindell) the scathing remark that the man revealed himself in a despicable light by "trying to shift all the responsibility on to your wretched wife."

His Worship's decision was that the woman be discharged with a caution, her husband be fined \$75, with the alternative of six weeks' hard labour, while the two other male defendants, who were charged only with smoking, were each to be mulcted in a sum of \$2.

## MORE TROOPS.

## FRESH ARRIVALS IN SHANGHAI.

## ENTERTAINING "TOMMY."

Every day sees the Shanghai Defence Force assume more definite shape as British troops arrive in Shanghai to protect lives and property from the dangers which the present political situation may have in store, says the Shanghai Times of Thursday last. The strength of British forces here was increased on Wednesday to 4,000 men by the arrival of the troopship Sirdhana from Calcutta with two battalions of 1,600 men belonging to the Punjab Regiment.

The arrivals on the Sirdhana belong to the 4th battalion of the 1st Punjab Regiment and the 3rd battalion of the 3rd Punjab Regiment who were last stationed at Calcutta. They left India on January 30 and proceeded direct to Shanghai.

## Field Hospital.

Carrying various details made up of several different units of an army, the transport Rhoma reached Shanghai from India on Thursday and berthed at the Shanghai and Hongkew Lower Wharf. She is known as the military hospital ship and, apart from the field hospital and the equipment for field ambulance work, the transport brought to Shanghai twelve British Red Cross Nurses in charge of a Matron. The total number of the troops for various units brought from India by this transport is in the vicinity of 1,400, including officers.

The field hospital is fully equipped with all the latest medical and surgical appliances for field work and the medical staff and assistants are all experienced in field ambulance and war work.

Included among the new details are a number of sappers, miners, mule drivers, hospital orderlies, cooks, bakers, male nurses and other field ambulance attendants. Apart from the equipment necessary for many of these departments, the transport brought approximately 200 horses, ponies and mules.

## British Forces.

British forces at present in Shanghai are as follows:—  
2nd battalion Gloucestershire Regiment.

2nd battalion Durham Light Infantry.

4th battalion, 1st Punjab Regiment.

3rd battalion, 14th Punjab Regiment.

5th battalion, 2nd Punjab Regiment.

2nd battalion Suffolk Regiment.

Field Ambulance Force.

As the present defence force is entirely British, only British property is being used for billets and quarters, although the huts erected on Municipal property will be tenanted provided the defence force is internationalized by the decision of other Powers to land troops in Shanghai. Provision for billets has been made on British property at many points in the Foreign Settlement, while headquarters staff arrangements are rapidly being completed. Headquarters staff is quartered at the Chartered Bank building on the Bund, where vacant space is being converted into offices.

## Recreation Plans.

With the arrival of so many troops in Shanghai, institutions like the Union Jack Club and the Navy Y. M. C. A. find themselves running to capacity and efforts are being made to augment their facilities by various organizations in the city.

The executive committee of the B.W.A., headed by Lady Barton, Mrs. J. Ford and Mrs. James, has obtained the use of a large empty store on the ground floor of 21 Jinkoo Road which they are preparing to equip as a recreation room and canteen under the name of the B.W.A. Soldiers' Recreation Rooms.

The place will be equipped with billiard tables, card tables, writing desks, piano, gramophone and a canteen where coffee, tea, cakes, soft drinks, and other refreshments will be served.

Through the offices of the Union Jack Club the various theatres of Shanghai have agreed to admit the soldiers to their performances at half-price, a similar agreement having been reached for the benefit of the Navy and Marines some time ago.

## IMPORTANT CHINA DEBATE.

(Continued from page 1.)

plenary powers to consider with the British representative there what steps might be taken in the event of certain emergencies arising, and Sir Austen Chamberlain replied: "I think the less said about eventualities, which I hope will not arise, the better."—(Cheers).—*Reuter.*

## Kuomintang in Malaya.

London, Feb. 21.

In the House of Commons, replying to Lieut-Com. Kenworthy with regard to a declaration that the Kuomintang party in the Malay States was an illegal society, Mr. L. S. Amery said that the policy of the Malayan Government, in which they were fully supported by His Majesty's Government, was to refuse registration to all foreign political societies, and the Kuomintang came within that category.

Replying to Mr. H. W. Locker, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that the new municipal administration of the British Concession at Kiangling would be similar in character to the proposed new administration of the British Concession at Hankow.

Mr. Locker asked if the agreement at Hankow fully protected the rights of private property and the future position of the old staffs of the Municipal Concession, and Sir Austen Chamberlain asked for notice of that.

## Shanghai Protection.

The Labourite, Mr. Rennie Smith asked whether the arrangement proposed at Hankow would be applied in the case of Shanghai, and Sir Austen Chamberlain said that Shanghai was an international concession and that many other nations were concerned, while the Hankow concession, with which we had been dealing was purely British.

Replying to Sir C. Kinloch-Cooke as to whether he was satisfied that the lives and property of British nationals in Shanghai were sufficiently protected in any circumstances that might arise, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that if Sir Kinloch-Cooke meant in any circumstances which were considered to be within the bounds of possibility, the answer was in the affirmative.

## Peking and Surtaxes.

Replying to Sir Archibald Sinclair, Sir Austen Chamberlain said he had no definite information yet with regard to what arrangements the Peking Government would make for the collection of the surtaxes, but he understood that the Southern Government disputed the right of the Peking Government to exercise the authority belonging to a Central Government. He had no knowledge of any interference with the Customs on the part of the Canton Government.

## Question of Taxation.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. H. W. Locker, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that under the proposals which His Majesty's Government recently made to the Chinese authorities, British subjects in China would be liable to pay such regular legal Chinese taxations not involving discrimination against British subjects or British goods as in fact were imposed and paid by Chinese citizens throughout China. It would obviously be undesirable, in view of the fact that these proposals were intended to form the subject of negotiations with the Chinese authorities to discuss the details of their eventual application by way of question and answer in the House.

## Wide Publicity Wanted.

Replying to a further question, Sir Austen Chamberlain emphasized that Chinese translations of the British Memorandum of December 18th. and the Treaty revision proposals were distributed in China as widely as possible.

Mr. Locker suggested that the Cabinet resolution on policy in China, recently read by the Premier, should also be translated and published, but Sir Austen Chamberlain was of opinion that it was better to leave the decision of these matters to the British authorities on the spot, and added that his answer had shown that they were alive to the necessity of making the policy of His Majesty's Government as widely known as possible.

## Other Questions.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Herbert Williams, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that the Government's aim was to negotiate treaties with China on a basis which would lead ultimately to complete equality and reciprocity.

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## CANTON NEWS.

## CONTINUED LABOUR TROUBLES.

It is reported that General Li Chai-sum is trying to put one of his trusted men at the head of the police in Canton. General Li has not been satisfied with the recent handling of labour trouble and he suggests that stronger measures should be taken. It is said that General Ho Tung, Chief of Staff of General Li's headquarters, is mentioned as the new Police Chief. General Li is in communication with General Chang Kai-shek on this matter.

The general strike of workers in the rice shops and mills in Fatsan is greatly affecting the food supply of the people there. Since the strike was declared, the price of rice has jumped up rapidly and during the last few days it has been difficult for the people to get any at all.

Since the return of the Red leader, Tam Ping-shan, and the arrival in Canton of a delegation of labour delegates from the Third International, labour troubles have again become very acute. During the past few days the Government Headquarters have been surrounded several times. Notifications issued by the Government and General Chang Kai-shek regarding labour disorders, which were posted on the street walls, have been torn off and destroyed by the agitators.

Altogether four labour battles have taken place in the fruit market during the last few days, more than twenty persons being wounded. The police tried to stop the fighting but without result.

—*Reuter.*